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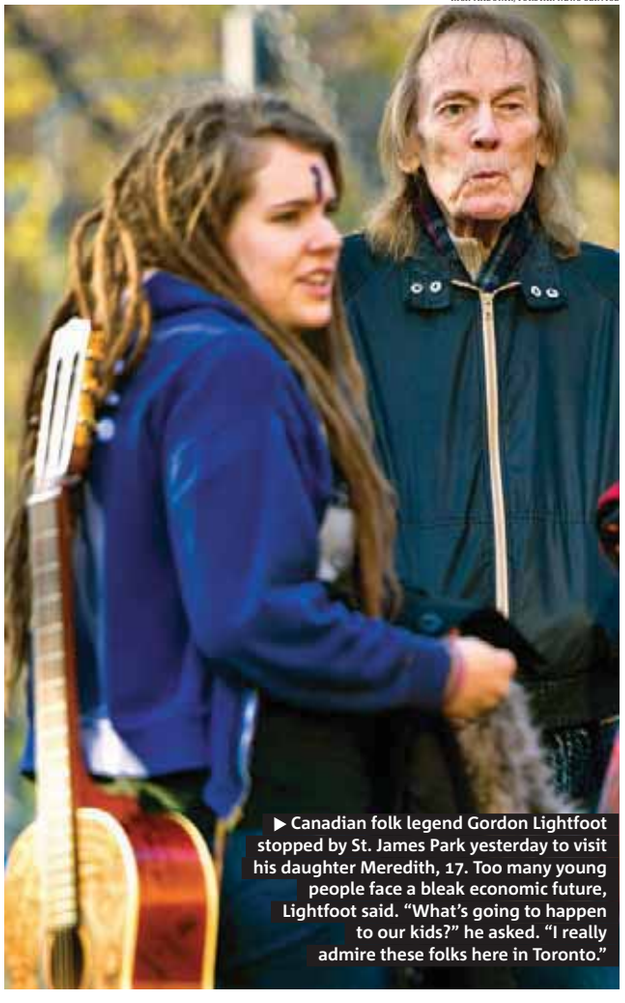

▶ Canadian folk legend Gordon Lightfoot stopped by St. James Park yesterday to visit his daughter Meredith, 17. Too many young people face a bleak economic future, Lightfoot said. "What's going to happen to our kids?" he asked. "I really admire these folks here in Toronto."

Court throws Occupy a lifeline

- Camp allowed to stay in St. James Park, at least until the weekend
- Protesters announce plans for an 'Evict Ford' rally on Saturday

Occupy Toronto protesters were granted a temporary reprieve yesterday evening, following a last-minute court injunction against the city's plans to evict them from St. James Park.

The emergency court ruling capped a tense day for protesters, who had spent most of the day discussing how they would resist the city's plans to forcibly remove them at midnight.

But rather than clashes with riot police in the park, the movement's next battles will be fought by lawyers in court.

Justice David Brown ruled the city must allow the 24-hour occupation against social inequality and corporate greed to continue, at least for a few more days.

Brown will hear arguments from Occupy Toronto and the City of Toronto in court on Friday, and he will make a decision on the encampment's future by Saturday at 6 p.m.

Until then, the current campers are allowed to stay, but no new tents can be erected.

As the judge left the courtroom yesterday evening, the protesters in attendance wiggled their fingers in the air — a silent sign of agreement — and hugged.

The legal dispute will pit the protesters' constitutional rights to freedom of expression and assembly against the city's obligation to clean and maintain the park for the general public.

The city argues the protesters' Charter rights do not extend to erecting tents and camping overnight in a public park, which contravenes city bylaws.

But Occupy Toronto's lawyer Susan Ursel said the tents are in fact part of the protest. "To dismantle the encampment is to abridge that expression," she said, quoting Marshall McLuhan's "the medium is the message."

The protesters also dispute the city's claim that they are using the park to the exclusion of others.

Whatever Justice Brown rules on Saturday, the formal eviction notices — hand-delivered yesterday morning by police and bylaw officers — represents the city's first attempts to put a stop to the encampment, which began at St. James Park Oct. 15.

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Eviction notice

- The eviction letter, a notice under the Trespass to Property Act, calls on protesters to remove any tents, structures, equipment and debris from the park.
- The notice bars them from entering or using the park between 12:01 a.m. and 5:30 a.m.
- The park has taken a beating since the protesters set up camp four weeks ago. Some local businesses say they have suffered as much as 30 per cent in lost sales.

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Abduction suspect faces more charges

One of the men charged in the mysterious abduction of a Brampton woman on Friday faces similar charges in York Region.

While Peel police are saying little about the recent abduction, Asogian Gunalingam, 30, also faces charges of kidnapping with a weapon, extortion with a weapon, pointing a firearm, forcible confinement with a weapon and uttering threats in a May 2010 attempted robbery of a Steeles Avenue West jewelry store.

He is to appear in court on Feb. 21 in that case.

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Deer shakes up morning routine

From the kitchen window, Celia Ritcey and her family watched a seven-foot buck, antlers and all, amble around their backyard yesterday morning.

"We've seen many wildlife in that backyard, but nothing quite so big," said Ritcey, who lives near Mt. Pleasant Road, north of Eglinton Avenue East.

The buck was content to watch the family watch him for half an hour, when something caught his eye. So he simply hopped over a hedge Ritcey guessed was at least four feet high.

Later, a neighbour informed her that police were checking the area, and the deer hasn't been seen. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Santa. Parade

▶ Jessie Giovane with the toy-sized Barbies that she helped scale up into the dolls for the Santa Claus Parade float behind her.

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Designer at play

Jessie Giovane, 29, put her schooling to work at the Santa Claus Parade.

She did three years at architecture school in Scotland, another two years in fine art, and received a postgraduate degree in photography.

This is her first year building floats.

She has a similarly erratic set of duties: Building turtles out of papier-mâché, covering a giant guitar with glitter and making larger-than-life Barbie shoes.

The parade hits Toronto streets Sunday.

Family gets $18K in dressing room quarrel

Two hockey-playing sisters were barred from changing with boys

The Brampton Youth Hockey Association has been ordered to pay $18,000 to two sisters and their mother in a dispute over the girls' use of dressing rooms with their male teammates.

Robyn Demars, 19, sister Shaunna, 21, and mother Suzanne launched complaints with the Ontario Human Rights Tribunal seven years ago. The case goes back to when they were around age 12 and prevented from changing in the same rooms as the boys.

"Shaunna and Robyn Demars faced discrimination in that, unlike the male players, neither the team coaches or (the Brampton Youth Hockey Association) arranged places for them to change, or even developed a plan for how they would find suitable rooms," tribunal member Judith Hinchman wrote in her recent decision.

When the girls, who played on different teams, did manage to find separate rooms they were often undesirable. Some were used to store cleaning supplies, were dirty and not always heated or locked.

During the 2002-03 season and start of two subsequent seasons for Shaunna, and the fall of the 2004-05 season for Robyn, the sisters were left to fend for themselves to find dressing rooms, Hinchman wrote.

Shaunna Demars, now a nursing student at Ryerson University, was awarded $12,000 in the case.

Robyn, who attends Sheridan College in Mississauga, was awarded $4,000.

Suzanne was awarded $2,000 because Hinchman found she lost her volunteer position on one of the hockey association's committees after speaking up on behalf of her daughters.

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Policy change

▶ In 2001, after an Ontario Human Rights Commission hearing involving a similar case in Ottawa, Hockey Canada amended its policy calling for the separation of genders at age 12. The changes allowed teams with appropriate facilities to decide the issue themselves.

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BlackCreek's broken promise

The summer music festival offered a golden opportunity for Toronto's music scene Cancelled concerts, lack of ticket sales hampered the event

The 2011 BlackCreek Summer Music Festival held a lot of promise.

It featured artistic direction by Garth Drabinsky, the former showbiz powerhouse out on bail from his 2009 Livent fraud conviction.

But the dream deflated as poor weather, cancelled concerts and sluggish ticket sales stymied efforts to develop a place among the other great Canadian music festivals. It fell into the shadow of Drabinsky's conviction and appeal process.

And despite well-received performances from Plácido Domingo, Diana Krall, Helen Mirren and the London Symphony Orchestra, the tale of an ambitious new festival has instead become a saga of bounced cheques and broken promises.

More than two months after the last performance, local performers and businesses said the festival owed them more than $100,000 in overdue payments. After months of complaints, unanswered queries and finally a call from the Toronto Star, a representative for BlackCreek now says some of the cheques are in the mail. They began arriving Monday for chorus members.

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Cancelled shows

- **Chorus.** The festival started so well, said Carrie Loring, a member of the 80-member BlackCreek chorus. But after two of the three remaining shows in August were cancelled, some members of the chorus walked out.
- **Work.** "The sad part was a lot of people had turned down other work," said Loring.

Investor digs deep into pocket

All payrolls were processed this week, according to Kevin Albrecht, who was described in festival news releases as CEO of BlackCreek Limited Partnership. The renowned sports agent and one of the masterminds behind the Battle of the Blades TV show says he's only an investor with the festival.

He said he is personally financing the payroll and that the people owed were given a full explanation for the delay: Slow ticket sales, the credit card processing company held funds from ticket sales, and the need to find new financing.

"Arts festivals take time to become mainstays," said Albrecht.

"It has been a first year full of challenges and we are working hard to conquer those challenges. Some people will understand that and be patient and some — and it is the minority — won't."

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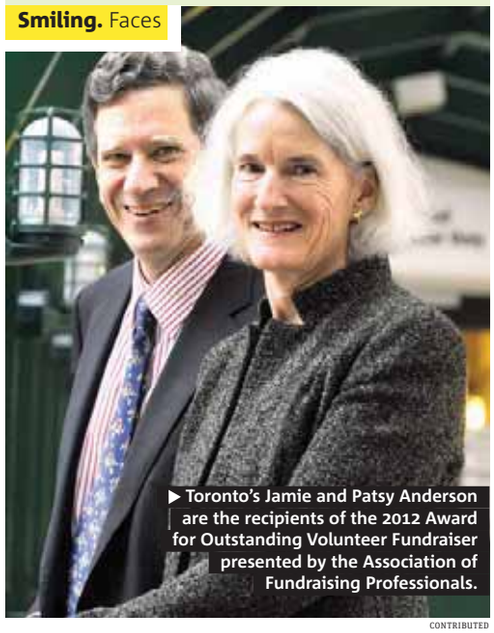

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Shania Twain stalker released from jail

The former Ottawa doctor who admitted to stalking singer Shania Twain was released yesterday from jail with credit for time served.

In September, Giovanni (John) Palumbo pleaded guilty to criminal harassment by watching and besetting, and one count of failure to comply with a court order. He had been in custody since being arrested at the Juno Awards in March, where he showed up with a greeting card to give to Twain.

Palumbo was sentenced to three years of probation and is not allowed within a half kilometre of Twain, her family or any of her professional staff. He's also not allowed to contact her or communicate with her, directly or indirectly, and has been ordered to continue counselling.

Palumbo, who had been an animated presence throughout the trial, was hunched over when the sentence was read out but showed no emotion and declined to speak to reporters.

"He's going to have to get on with his life now, he's going to have to find a place to live and start to establish himself again,'' said defence lawyer Gary Barnes following the trial, before being asked how Palumbo would find a way to cope.

"He's going to be just as well off in the public as the tens of thousands of other people wandering around this city who have a mental health issue."

Palumbo was volatile throughout his trial, and had several more outbursts during his latest court appearance. When his traits were described as narcissistic, Palumbo shouted: "I'm not narcissistic — I agree you're all superior to me."

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Singer and songwriter Shania Twain.

Lovelorn letters

- **Twain's testimony.** In September, Twain testified via video link and described the numerous lovelorn letters Palumbo had mailed to her residences in Ontario and Switzerland, and discussed the feelings of fear and vulnerability conjured by his unwanted visits.
- **The stalking.** He was seen at her family cottage, her grandmother's funeral and at the Juno Awards.

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▶ Perrine Leblanc, with a copy of her book L'homme blanc, after winning the 2011 Governor General's Literary Award for French Language Fiction yesterday in Toronto.

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GG award winners named

Vancouver Island native Patrick deWitt struck book-prize gold for The Sisters Brothers, winning the $25,000 Governor General's Literary Award for fiction. Rounding out the short list was Marina Endicott for The Little Shadows, Alexi Zentner for Touch, and Toronto's David Bezmozgis for The Free World.

McGuinty preaches restraint

◐ Premier is struggling with a $16-billion budget deficit ◐ Says he won't raise taxes or privatize health care to save money

Preaching restraint and reform, Premier Dalton McGuinty is warning that Ontario's new minority government will have to do more with less.

"We're living in times that call for greater restraint. Families have now begun to borrow less, pay down debt and be more careful than ever with their money," McGuinty told 500 people in a speech at the Economic Club yesterday.

"So must government. These are serious times and we need a serious plan," said McGuinty, who has fired numerous Liberal staffers in recent weeks as part of the cutbacks.

The premier is struggling with a $16-billion budget deficit — $1 billion more than he had claimed on the eve of the Oct. 6 election.

Having 53 Liberal MPPs in the 107-member Legislature — fewer than the combined 54 of the Progressive Conservatives and New Democrats — he conceded that "when members from other parties bring good, constructive ideas forward, we're going to use them."

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▶ Dalton McGuinty

"With the global economy in perilous shape, it's going to require discipline and some tough decisions on the part of government."
PREMIER DALTON MCGUINTY

"Our greatest responsibility in the legislature is a shared responsibility to work together to build a stronger economy for the benefit of all Ontarians," said the premier, who will hold separate one-on-one meetings with Tory Leader Tim Hudak and NDP Leader Andrea Horwath later this week.

"We will protect health care and education as the most important public services upon which Ontarians rely. There will be reforms in the way we deliver these programs, but we won't compromise on quality."

McGuinty, who raised taxes in each of his first two terms in office dating back to 2003, emphasized he "will not consider an increase in taxes or the privatization of public health care" to save money.

The Liberals will, however, continue an effort to reduce the size of the Ontario public service by 5 per cent by next March and a total of 7 per cent by 2014.

Still, he admitted this is "a time of significant upheaval and uncertainty around the world" and things are changing fast.

"It's hard to keep up with all the bad news coming out of Europe as the EU struggles to contain the contagion of a debt crisis. Growth in the U.S is painfully sluggish with no strong plan for recovery in sight," he said.

"The U.S. is our biggest trading partner, so we feel it."

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New realities

- The new realities will be reflected in a speech from the throne Tuesday outlining the government's agenda followed by Finance Minister Dwight Duncan's fall economic statement the next day.
- McGuinty said a commission on the reform of public services, chaired by economist Don Drummond, will signal the austere direction the government is headed.
- He noted Drummond's "preliminary advice is that we hold growth in spending to 1 per cent per year," which, because of larger increases in areas like health, could mean cuts.

Federal Liberals surprise opponents to MP expansion

Canada's Parliament doesn't need any more MPs, federal Liberals say, declaring unexpected opposition to a plan to put 30 more seats in the Commons by the next election.

"It doesn't make any sense in these days of financial restraint," Liberal MP Marc Garneau said yesterday at a Commons committee studying the legislation that would give 15 extra seats to Ontario, six seats each to B.C. and Alberta, and three seats to Quebec. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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▶ MP Marc Garneau

Cops find stolen car 27 years later

Newfoundland's provincial police service announced Monday that it had located a stolen car. The 1970 Opel had been reporting missing nearly three decades ago.

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ITALY

Leaders back Monti

Italy's prime minister-designate won wide backing from political leaders yesterday as he worked to put together a cabinet that can steer the eurozone's third-biggest economy through its debt crisis.

Mario Monti, a respected economist and former European commissioner, is under pressure to quickly reassure markets that Italy will avoid a default that could tear apart the 17 countries that use the euro currency and push the global economy back into recession.

Monti, 68, has already shown his mettle by making it clear he intends to serve until spring 2013 elections, rejecting calls by some to hold early elections next spring. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Air Force One tapes on sale

A long-lost version of the Air Force One recordings made in the immediate aftermath of U.S. president John F. Kennedy's assassination, with more than 30 minutes of additional material not in the official version in the government's archives, has been found and is for sale.

The asking price is $500,000 for the reel-to-reel tape, which is inside its original box with a typewritten label showing it was made by the White House Communications Agency for Army Gen. Chester "Ted" Clifton Jr. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Search on for helpers of dangerous neo-Nazi group

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ Mug shots of terror suspects, from left, Beate Z., Uwe W. and Uwe M. in the "Ostthueringer Zeitung" in 1998.

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▶ A DVD reportedly produced by neo-Nazis Uwe Mundlos and Uwe Boenhardt to document a series of murders they committed over several years in Germany.

Probe sparks debate over Germany's ability to protect immigrants

German officials said yesterday that a network of supporters may have helped an underground neo-Nazi group suspected of murdering eight Turks, a Greek and a policewoman over the past decade.

The investigation into the activities of the so-called National Socialist Underground has spiraled into a nationwide search into previously unsolved crimes, including suspected terror attacks in Cologne and Duesseldorf from 2000 to 2004, that injured more than 30 people, most of them foreigners.

Two people have been arrested, a suspected co-founder of the group and an alleged supporter. Two other suspected members died last week in an apparent suicide, but authorities believe the group relied on a much larger network of "helpers" across the nation.

"Those who helped the terrorists must be found and severely punished," opposition lawmaker Thomas Oppermann, who heads the German parliament's intelligence committee, told reporters. "There are leads on other supporters," Oppermann said.

The case has raised questions about how a far-right extremist group whose members were at one time known to authorities was able to slip underground and carry out a series of attacks. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

More than 90 killed in Syria, regime under fire

Army defectors ambushed dozens of Syrian troops and regime forces gunned down civilians during one of the bloodiest days of the country's eight-month-old uprising, which appeared yesterday to be spiralling out of President Bashar Assad's control.

Up to 90 people were killed in a gruesome wave of violence Monday, activists said.

The extent of the bloodshed only came to light yesterday, in part because corpses lying in the streets did not reach the morgue until daylight.

As the bloodshed spiked, Assad's former allies were turning on him in rapid succession — a sign of profound impatience with a leader who has failed to stem months of unrest that could explode into a regional conflagration.

Turkey, Jordan and the 22-member Arab League all signalled they were fed up with Assad's response to the uprising and were ready to pressure him to go.

Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan said yesterday he no longer has confidence in the government led by Assad, a 46-year-old eye doctor who inherited power from his father 11 years ago.

"No regime can survive by killing or jailing," said Erdogan, who cultivated close ties with Assad before the uprising began in March. "No one can build a future over the blood of the oppressed." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Amateur video made available yesterday shows a boy throwing an object at a vehicle as a Syrian tank burns in Daraa, Syria, on Monday.

Insurgency

- Although activists say the anti-government protesters have remained largely peaceful, an armed insurgency has developed in recent months targeting Assad's military and security forces.

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No. Cutbacks

▶ Doctors and health workers hold banners during a protest in Barcelona yesterday.

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White coats hit streets in Spain

After months of negotiations between the Catalan government and healthcare workers over the €1-billion cutbacks for 2012, more than 16,000 doctors called a mass, two-day strike at hospitals and outpatient departments.

Study links Facebook ban to rise in hacking

Average number of incidents at public companies up to 18 this year, compared to three in 2008

If your company's computer network is being hacked more than usual, your policy on social networks may be to blame.

A report in IT security issued jointly by Telus and the Rotman School of Management surveyed 649 firms and found companies that ban employees from using social media suffer 30 per cent more computer security breaches than ones that allow free use of sites like Facebook and Twitter.

Counterintuitive? Maybe, but it makes perfect sense when you consider how hooked most of us are on social media, say the study's authors.

Rotman professor Dr. Walid Hejazi says employees banned from social networks often download software onto company computers allowing them to circumvent firewalls and access forbidden sites. Those programs might let employees tweet on the job but they also create security gaps for hackers to exploit.

30% Survey says that those companies that ban employees from social media suffer 30 per cent more security breaches than those that allow free use of sites like Facebook.

"That's called punching a hole in the security wall," says Hejazi, a quantitative reasoning professor at Rotman. "They start using technologies and channels that are not being monitored by the company."

The simplest and most secure solution, say the study's authors, is for companies to loosen their grip on social media access.

Instead of simply placing social media off limits, companies should make it clear to employees that software that helps skirt the ban also causes costly compromises to network security.

"The right strategy isn't to block all access. The right strategy is to allow access, but to bring in awareness training with it so people fully understand what they're doing," Hejazi says.

The study concludes that each breach in network security costs publicly traded companies $195,588, compared with $70,833 for privately held firms and $58,929 for government agencies.

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Ouster raises doubts about Occupy future

New York City protesters gather to discuss options to sustain movement

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▶ New York City police officers keep a demonstrator affiliated with the Occupy Wall Street movement from entering Zuccotti Park yesterday in New York.

Crackdowns against the Occupy Wall Street encampments across the country reached the epicenter of the movement yesterday, when police rousted protesters from a Manhattan park and a judge ruled that their free speech rights do not extend to pitching a tent and setting up camp for months at a time.

It was a potentially devastating setback. If crowds of demonstrators return to Zuccotti Park, they will not be allowed to bring tents, sleeping bags and other equipment that turned the area into a makeshift city of dissent.

But demonstrators pledged to carry on with their message protesting corporate greed and economic inequality, either in Zuccotti or a yet-to-be chosen new home.

"This is much bigger than a square plaza in downtown Manhattan," said Hans Shan, an organizer who was working with churches to find places for protesters to sleep. "You can't evict an idea whose time has come."

State Supreme Court Justice Michael Stallman upheld the city's eviction of the protesters after an emergency appeal by the National Lawyers Guild.

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For more news on Occupy Wall Street and its affiliate protests, visit metronews.ca

Cool. Reception

▶ Protester Darren Noftall holds up a sign at a National Capital Commission photo-op promoting the capital's annual winter festival, Winterlude.

Bearly occupied

While ice-hog mascots waved, oblivious to the protester behind them, NCC marketing chief Guy Laflamme deflected questions about the impending clash between his organization and the activists in Ottawa's Confederation Park, one of the main venues for Winterlude.

News in brief

Reporters taken into custody

NYC. Journalists have been detained while covering Occupy Wall Street. N.Y. police didn't have a count of how many journalists were arrested and didn't immediately comment.

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News in pictures

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1 Occupy Wall Street protesters clash with police at Zuccotti Park in New York.

2 Police officers disperse Occupy Wall Street protesters near the encampment.

3 A protester is arrested during a march on Broadway after police ordered demonstrators to leave the park.

4 Sanitation workers gather to start the cleanup effort. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Shafia transfixed by photos of sisters

Court watches video of young man's interrogation by police in 2009

A young man accused, with his parents, of killing his three sisters and one of his father's wives asked several times during his interrogation to see police photographs of the dead women, court heard yesterday.

The jury in the murder trial watched a video of the interrogation of Hamed Shafia, 20, after his arrest more than two years ago. At one point, Det.-Const. Steve Koopman of the Kingston police asks Shafia, "Did you mean to get involved with this?"

"No," he replies, hanging his head.

Later, an officer produces photos of his sisters' bodies, and Shafia asks if he can see them. "How come she's bleeding?" he asks.

The officer says blood can pool in cases like this.

"Do you feel bad?" the officer asks later.

"Of course," Shafia replies.

"If you could have them back…"

"Of course, what kind of question is that?" he says.

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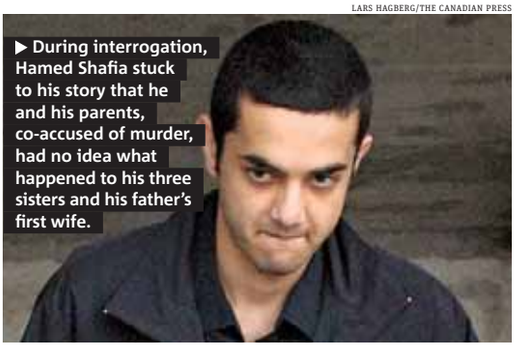

▶ During interrogation, Hamed Shafia stuck to his story that he and his parents, co-accused of murder, had no idea what happened to his three sisters and his father's first wife.

High-speed rail corridor could cost $21.3B: Study

A high-speed rail line between Quebec City and Windsor, Ont., could cost more than $21.3 billion but would have little hope of making money, a new study predicts.

The detailed study was conducted by a group of international consulting firms on behalf of the federal, Ontario and Quebec governments. It looked at two technologies based on speeds of 200 km/h using diesel traction and 300 km/h using electric traction.

It estimated costs for the full corridor in 2009 dollars at $18.9 billion for the slower technology and $21.3 billion for the higher-speed technology.

The study says the busiest section, Montreal-Ottawa-Toronto, alone could cost between $9.1 billion and $11 billion.

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U.K. rocker's son freed

Son of Pink Floyd's David Gilmour involved in student protests last year

Charlie Gilmour was one of thousands who protested against rising university fees in December and was among a group who attacked a convoy carrying Prince Charles and his wife, Camilla. He was photographed hanging from a Union flag on the Cenotaph.

Lawyer Robert Brown said yesterday the 21-year-old student has been released from jail, subject to compliance with a home detention curfew for the next few months.

He admitted through the course of his trial he was on a mix of alcohol, Valium and LSD at the time of the December protests. Whether or not Gilmour would return to university remains in question.

Gilmour was adopted by the legendary guitarist when he married Charlie's novelist mother, Polly Samson.

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▶ Charlie Gilmour leaves Kingston Crown Court with his father David Gilmour and mother Polly in London on July 14.

Ohio executes man for killing three sons

Ohio executed a man who fatally shot his three sons while they slept in 1982, shortly after his wife filed for divorce.

Reginald Brooks of East Cleveland died just after 2 p.m. yesterday, ending a nearly six-month break in the use of capital punishment in Ohio, which often trails only Texas in the number of annual inmate executions.

State and federal courts rejected attorneys' arguments that Brooks, 66, was not mentally competent and that the government hid relevant evidence that could have affected his case.

The execution was delayed by more than three hours as attorneys exhausted Brooks' appeals. The U.S. Supreme Court refused to halt the execution.

Defence attorneys said Brooks believed his co-workers and wife were poisoning him and that he maintained his innocence, offering conspiracy theories about the killings that involved police, his relatives and a look-alike.

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Jewel sells for nearly $11M US

The Sun-Drop diamond is vivid yellow, considered to be the highest possible colour grading for the gem

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▶ The Sun-Drop Diamond sold yesterday for over $10.9 million US.

The Sun-Drop Diamond of South Africa, a giant pear-shaped yellow gem weighing 110.3 carats, has sold for more than $10.9 million US at an auction yesterday in Geneva, beating previous records for a jewel of its type.

Including commission the unidentified telephone bidder paid almost $12.4 million for the gem, putting it within the $11 million to $15 million range Sotheby's had estimated before the sale.

"It's a record for a yellow diamond at auction," said David Bennett, the head of Sotheby's jewelry division. He added that it was the eighth most expensive diamond ever sold at auction.

After Sotheby's sold a 24.78-carat fancy intense pink diamond for a record-breaking $46 million last year, some had expected the auction's headline piece to finish higher.

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Hearing on sex case sought

Senator wants to see how well U.S. laws protect nation's children following Penn State scandal

U.S. Sen. Bob Casey asked yesterday for a hearing into how U.S. federal laws apply to the investigation of the child sex-abuse case that has enveloped Penn State University.

Pennsylvania is not one of the 18 states that require all adults to report suspected child abuse.

The request results from the state investigation into Jerry Sandusky, a former assistant football coach who is charged with abusing eight children over a 15-year period.

Casey's request came one day after Sandusky, once considered football coach Joe Paterno's heir apparent, said he had showered with young boys and hugged them but called the allegedly criminal contact "horseplay."

Sandusky told NBC News' "Rock Center" on Monday night that he was not a pedophile but, in retrospect, should not have showered with the boys he's charged with sexually assaulting.

Sandusky proclaimed his innocence in the face of startling allegations detailed in a grand jury report.

"I am innocent of those charges," Sandusky said. "... I could say that I have done some of those things. I have horsed around with kids. I have showered after workouts. I have hugged them, and I have touched their legs without intent of sexual contact."

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Philippines. Corruption

▶ Ex-Philippine president Gloria Arroyo arrives at the Manila airport yesterday.

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Arroyo stopped at airport

The Philippine government blocked Gloria Arroyo from leaving the country after she turned up at Manila airport wearing a neck brace, insisting she must face graft charges. The government said it will appeal a Supreme Court order that allowed the former president to travel abroad for medical treatment.

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▶ Michael Fitzpatrick, a senior White House official, said in Toronto yesterday that U.S. President Barack Obama and Prime Minister Stephen Harper would announce "within weeks" where the first changes in harmonizing red tape in the two countries will be made.

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U.S., Canada to streamline

Activists vow to fight on

But TransCanada's about-face on Keystone pipeline's route in Nebraska may have painted environmentalists into a corner, one observer says

American environmentalists say TransCanada's offer to reroute its proposed Keystone XL pipeline represents a major concession from the Calgary-based company, but nothing short of killing the project outright will silence them.

After months of refusing to map out a different route for the pipeline, TransCanada did a prompt about-face on Monday, offering to skirt the Sand Hills area of Nebraska — home of a massive aquifer that provides drinking water to millions on the Great Plains.

However, rather than pack up their protest signs and go home, a makeshift coalition of American environmental groups that have come together in passionate opposition to the Canadian project are vowing to press on in their battle against the project — and Alberta's oilsands.

Susan Casey-Lefkowitz, the international director for the Natural Resources Defense Council, said the aquifer was only one player in a vast cast of potential pipeline victims.

"There are all sorts of other areas at risk from Keystone XL. It crosses over 1,000 rivers along its path, including the Yellowstone River. So all of the very real concerns about the pipeline remain, along with the bigger question: Do we really want tarsands in our mix in the United States, when we are trying to move towards clean energy?" THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Samsung Electronics executive Tim Baxter displays the Infuse 4G Android smartphone.

Android sales hot

Smartphones using Google's OS take 52.5% of market

Smartphones using the Android operating system have leapt forward in popularity, capturing slightly more than half of the market in the third quarter.

Meanwhile, Apple saw its smartphone sales drop from 16.6 per cent to 15 per cent of the market from the same period last year, according to sales figures by Gartner Inc.

The smartphone brand with the biggest momentum appears to be South Korea's Samsung, which shipped 25 million of its Galaxy smartphones, which use Google's Android operating system, to Apple's 17.3 million.

Apple did not release its new iPhone 4S and upgraded operating system until the fourth quarter, which could show an increase in sales for the brand, analysts at Gartner suggest.

"Some consumers held off upgrading in the third quarter because they were waiting for promotions on other new high-end models that were launched in the run-up to the fourth-quarter holiday season," said Roberta Cozza, principal research analyst at Gartner. "Other consumers were waiting for a rumored new iPhone and associated price cuts on older iPhone models."

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DAD'S DOING DOUBLE DUTY

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Life is full of double standards, and here's one of mine: I can admit I protect (and sometimes micromanage) my daughters, 11 and 9, in a way I probably wouldn't if I had boys.

When I was dating my now-wife in high school — yes, high school sweethearts! — I used to snicker when she had to get home by midnight to turn off her dad's alarm clock. If she didn't beat the alarm, he said he'd go out looking for her, call police, call hospitals. I said I'd never be that kind of dad.

I am that kind of dad. More so because I have girls.

Why? Well, for one thing, I'm fully aware there are boys who will try to take advantage of them. Not all boys, but some.

There are also predators/monsters in the real world and online, enormous pressures around drugs and alcohol, and bullying (in recent weeks, a 10-year-old Illinois girl, Ashlynn Conner, hanged herself after being bullied at school). I know these things apply to boys as well, but I just think the implications are compounded for girls.

"The extent of our bad 'social media' growing up: Crank calls and rolled-up pieces of paper (e.g. 'Johnny loves Sarah') passed around class. Now there's the quick distribution of voyeuristic photos from a party that go 'viral ...' "

It's not that I don't trust my daughters. It's that I know what kids are like. I was one. Kids are kids, not adults. They will make mistakes. They will make bad decisions sometimes. There are so many peer pressures.

What I tell my girls is we're instantly accessible whenever they're in a bind. Text us, call us, tweet us — we'll be there. No questions. No judgments. (Well, questions *will* come later.)

Mobile devices are a blessing for this generation, allowing kids to be much more accessible to their parents if they're in harm's way. But adding social media to the mix does create more trigger points.

The extent of our bad "social media" growing up: Crank calls and rolled-up pieces of paper (e.g., "Johnny loves Sarah") passed around class. Now there's the quick distribution of voyeuristic photos from a party that go "viral" and Mean Girl tactics ("You're fat," "You're ugly," "You're Stupid") that don't end in the schoolyard but continue on Facebook.

We let our daughters use social media — there are many virtues to it — but monitor it very closely.

Sure kids have to have some sense of forging an identify outside their parents. We will give ours some line. But my blinders will not be on. Denial and ignorance do no good. As parents, you have to anticipate and react. Particularly with girls.

My angels won't understand all the decisions we make until they have grown into women and parents.

In the meantime, all we can do is protect them — and hopefully empower them at the same time.

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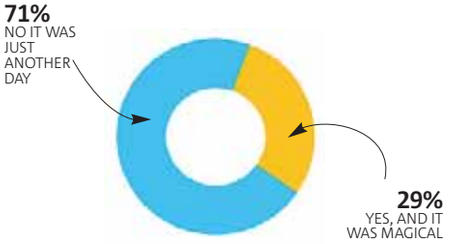

Local tweets

@Occupy Toronto: Occupy Toronto protesters get eviction reprieve

@ambalakshmi: @injunction on eviction. Damn straight. System works, sometimes.

@judyrebick: Gordon Lightfoot just showed up at #OccupyToronto #ows #occupycanada

@BitterCritic: Gordon Lightfoot showed support today for the #OccupyToronto protesters. Then again, he hasn't had a job this decade either.

@IamJeffDavidson: #OccupyToronto "She's checkin' in and being a part of it." - Gordon Lightfoot

@rootblock: Win. RT @slashdot Canada CRTC Rules Against Usage Based Billing

@xinito: CRTC does what they're told and says no to usage based billing. Finally.

@peternowak: Crtc is cognizant that it must be flexible in its approach to deal with quick changes

Worth mentioning

Individual debt is rising, savings are eroding and many young people have simply given up, staying home without looking for a job.

They are Italy's invisible poor, unseen by tourists, ignored by the country's fat-cat politicians and living in a reality that's a far cry from former prime minister Silvio Berlusconi's description of an affluent country where "the restaurants are full."

Or in the words of Francesa Zuccari, who runs a soup kitchen in Rome: "There is another city out there where people can't get to the end of the month."

This is the Italy facing Mario Monti, the economics professor tapped to form an interim technocratic government after Berlusconi was forced to resign.

On the one hand, Italy's elite manufacturers are girding for an increase in luxury exports and some wealthy Italians are looking to move their money into the real-estate markets in New York, Miami and Paris. On the other, the state statistics institute says almost 14 per cent of the population are living in "relative poverty."

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WEIRD NEWS

Trimming the cost of a haircut

One Ohio barber has turned the price of a haircut on its head.

After a mortgage crisis, macro-unemployment, stock-market tumbles and poor consumer confidence, Gregory Burnett is only charging people what they can afford for a haircut, according to the Canton Repository newspaper.

After his usual back-to-school rush failed to show, he put up a sign that says, "TIMES ARE HARD WHAT CAN YOU PAY FOR A CUT."

He has accepted as little as $5 for a regular $12 haircut, the newspaper reports.

The owner of Old School Barber Shop said he named his shop for that mantra.

"Old school is making something out of nothing," Burnett told the Repository.

The 56-year-old has been a working man all his life by doing service jobs: Shining shoes, driving cabs, and for the last 25 years he has worked as a hairstylist and barber, the Repository says.

And now that he has his own barber shop, he still shines shoes. Although it's $5, and that's non-negotiable.

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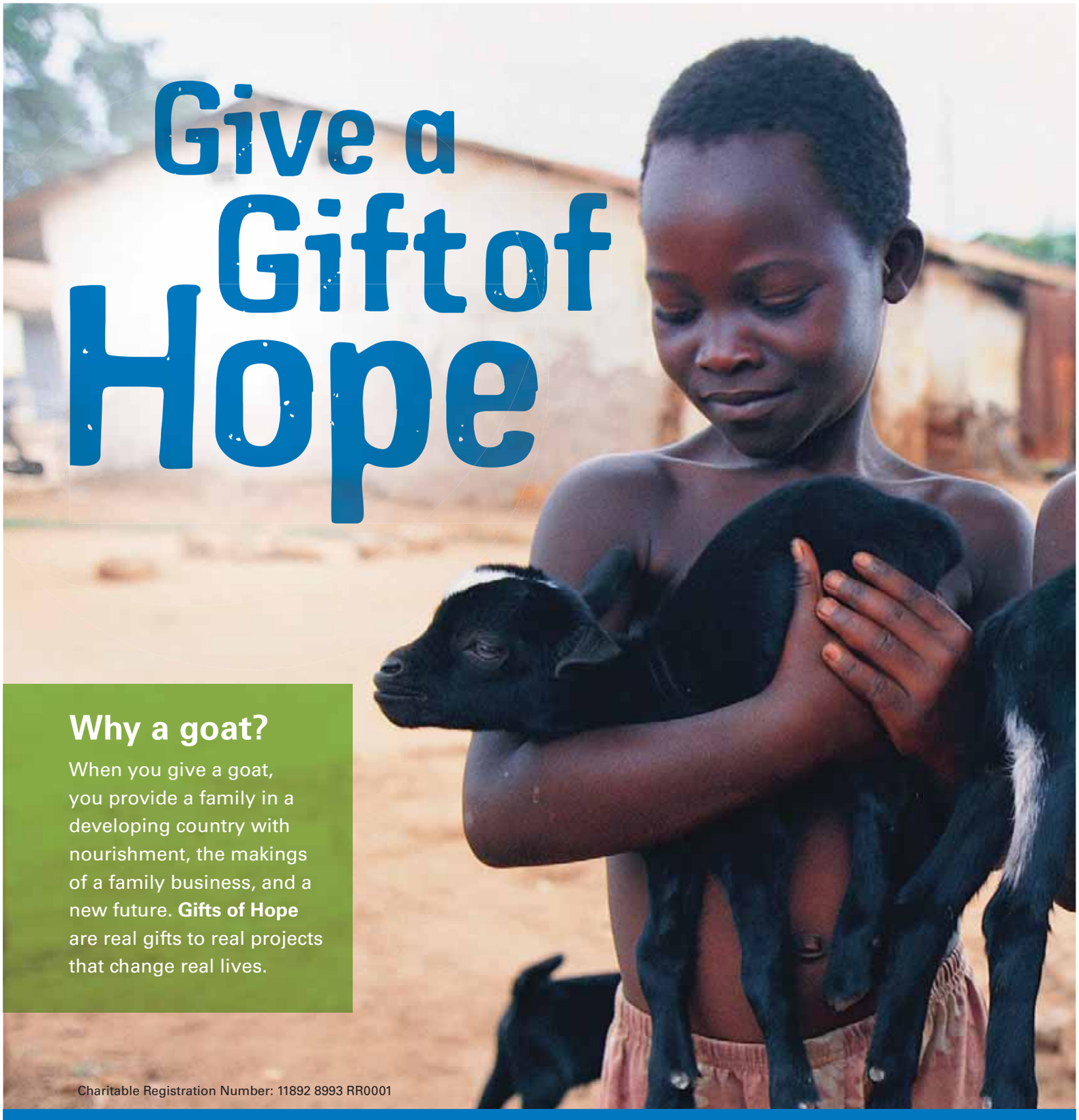

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▶ Happy Feet Two dances into theatres this weekend.

Much ado about penguins

From March of the Penguins to Farce of the Penguins to the return of Happy Feet, it's hard to toss a fish without hitting one at the movies But who is the most famous penguin of all?

IN FOCUS

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At the start of the animated penguin picture Surf's Up, Cody Maverick (the voice of Transformer's star Shia LaBeouf) takes a shot at another cartoon tuxedoed bird movie.

Asked if he has any other skills besides surfing. Cody sarcastically says, "Like what? Singing and dancing?"

Of course, he's referring to Happy Feet, the Oscar winning movie about an Emperor Penguin who can't find his soul mate the usual way — through song — so he uses his other talent — tap dancing.

The musical penguins of Happy Feet shim shammed their way to huge box office in 2006, and will paddle and roll their way back into theatres again this weekend in Happy Feet Two.

For a while, it seemed like you couldn't swing a herring without hitting a penguin at the movies.

March of the Penguins, a real-life look at the migration march of Emperor penguins to their traditional breeding ground, was a left field hit in 2005. The winner for Best Documentary not only out grossed all the nominees for Best Picture that year — it took in $77 million vs. $75 million for Brokeback Mountain — but also became the second highest grossing theatrical documentary after Fahrenheit 9/11.

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It was such a huge hit it inspired an R-rated parody, Farce of the Penguins. Featuring the voices of Samuel L. Jackson, Jason Alexander and Christina Applegate, it's an R-rated spoof that imagines what sex-starved penguins might talk about on the 70 mile walk to their mating grounds.

"I am tired of the club scene," says one penguin. "So are the baby seals!" replies another.

More family friendly was Madagascar, the story of four Central Park Zoo animals who get stranded on the island of Madagascar. The movie featured a large menagerie of characters, but the zoo's penguins, Skipper, Kowalski, Rico and Private, proved to be audience favorites. They have most of the movie's best lines — on landing in Africa one of the flightless birds says, "Africa? That ain't gonna fly!" — and were featured in a short film, The Madagascar Penguins in a Christmas Caper, a TV series and video games.

Probably the most famous penguin character in the movies is Oswald Cobblepot a.k.a. The Penguin, as played by Danny DeVito in Batman Returns.

This super villain is human, but dresses like a penguin, eats raw fish and tries to conquer Gotham with an army of specially trained penguins.

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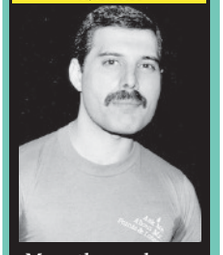

More than a dozen Canadians are still in the running to go on a tour organized by drummer Roger Taylor of the classic rock band Queen. Taylor is going back on the road - although he's not playing and neither are his former bandmates — to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the seminal rock act. He organized web auditions to find a five-piece cover band and three vocalists to perform classic Queen tunes. Lead singer, Freddie Mercury, shown, died in 1991.

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Fourth soundtrack to blockbuster Twilight saga brings romance with sadness

Drake makes sure to Take Care

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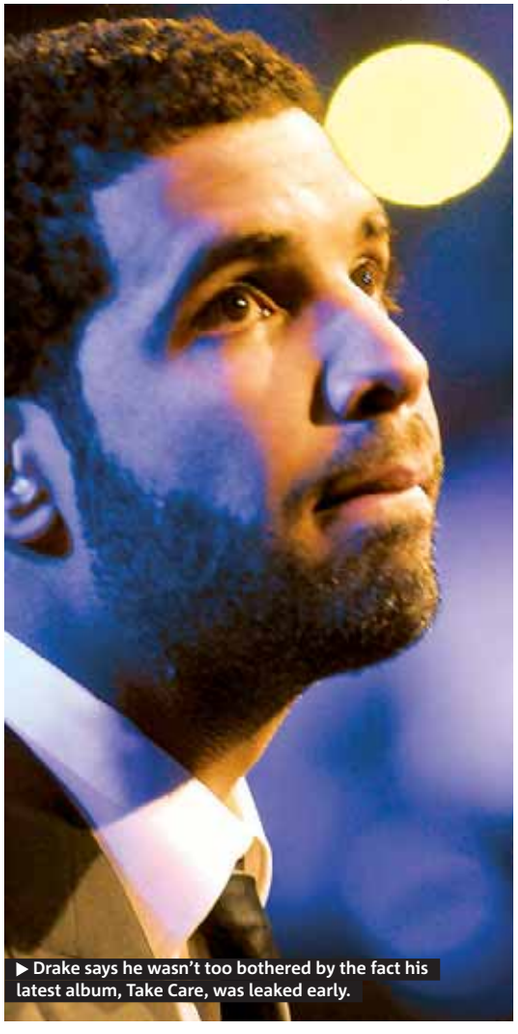

▶ Drake says he wasn't too bothered by the fact his latest album, Take Care, was leaked early.

The Toronto rapper dishes on trying to prevent an album from leaking, A-list guest stars and balancing philosophy and party rhymes

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When Drake found out his latest album, Take Care, had leaked online a week before its release, he took to Twitter and in a very practical tone wrote to his four million followers, "Listen, enjoy it, buy it if you like it...and take care until next time."

This pragmatic response is telling of Drake's approach. On Take Care, he frequently raps about what he observes with a sense of both realism and optimism.

This is present most in songs like, We'll Be Fine, and HYFR, where he says, "I learned working with the negatives could make for a better picture."

Is it just a given that an album will always leak before it comes out, or do you actually try to figure out where the leak came from?

Nah. You know, my last album leaked like 28 days before it came out and that was kind of devastating. I don't know necessarily know how it happened but I feel that if leaks are somewhat contained — like if your album leaks six or seven days before it's supposed to come out — I never see it as detrimental or that damaging.

First of all, I'm an artist that was birthed in the generation of leaks on the Internet, so I'm not really trippin' when the album comes out a little bit before the release date. But when people get it like two to three or four weeks before, that's when it's hard.

I mean, some music doesn't even last two weeks anymore. People's interest levels switch so quickly. I was cool with it though, to be honest, as cool as I could be.

Obviously, I wish that they could all hear it at the same time, on the day that it drops, but I think that unfortunately with the access that everybody has to music, I think that's just unrealistic unless you drop solely digital, which affects your sales, so it's a toss-up.

You knew for more than a year that this album was going to be called Take Care. How did you decide that so early on in the process?

We came up with it when we were touring in Europe with Jay-Z, and we were all on the bus together and we came up with this name, and as the months went on, it just got stronger and stronger.

It just started having more meaning, more impact, and I started hearing it more and realized that it's kind of an infectious title. I was pretty much sold on it. There was never a point where I was like, 'Oh, I need a new album title' or anything.

So the song Take Care, came later?

Yeah, the song just sort of made sense when I heard the Gil Scott-Heron record (the song samples Scott-Heron's I'll Take Care of You). The lyrics were right there, and obviously coinciding with the title was just like, 'Oh, I'll just make this the title track.'

You have a lot guest stars on this album. There's Lil Wayne, Rick Ross, Nicki Minaj, Rihanna and even Stevie Wonder. I was surprised though that you didn't have Stevie sing. Instead you just had him play his signature harmonica.

I think that the record, the way it was, was done already when he was listening to it. Vocally, we had tracked it out, and me and him have these other plans for a record where we sing together. We've been talking about it for a while now. And I thought this was more of an interesting way to incorporate him in the album, as almost like a musical contributor and a musical guide. He added some great things to that song and I thought that was cool as opposed to having a blatant feature.

There are a lot philosophical lines in these songs, like "jealousy is just love and hate combined." Are these the type of things that you stow away for a while, just waiting to find a place where they'll fit?

Yeah, there are little pieces that I collect over the months, whether it be in passing conversation or from reading or movies. I pull from all kinds of references but I make them my own. I try to never directly take a quote verbatim. I try to make it apply to my life or make it work for me.

A lot of it is just stuff we think about and talk about amongst each other, like me, 40 (Drake's collaborator Noah 40 Shebib) and whoever else is in the studio. It just comes from hours of thinking and reflecting on life. I think one of my biggest things is to be quoted. I grew up reading quotes, studying what intelligent people had to say, what wise people had to say, so I think one of my biggest goals in life is just to be a quoted individual, and to be somebody whose words matter.

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The grandiosity of gore

The Walking Dead has thrust special effects wizards back into the spotlight It's truly a world unto itself

Transforming ordinary humans into flesh-eating, mindless zombies for AMC's monster hit The Walking Dead involves a fair bit of Hollywood magic, to be sure. But makeup master Greg Nicotero orchestrated his own remarkable transformation with a leap to the director's chair for the show's second season.

The special effects wizard — whose diverse slate of movie projects include Inglourious Basterds, The Green Mile, Sin City, The Pacific and the Kill Bill series — helms an upcoming episode that marks a new benchmark in his gruesome career.

The broadening appeal of horror and fantasy fare is helping gross-out geeks like him find notoriety in the mainstream, and even snag high-profile projects of their own, he says.

"I think what's interesting about it is (we're in) a situation where guys who love and respected the genre when they were younger are now well-placed in the industry," Nicotero says in a recent interview from the set of The Walking Dead.

"Between (directors) Sam Raimi and Frank Darabont and Quentin Tarantino, Robert Rodriguez — we all had the same diet when we grew up, and that diet was loving to watch old Ray Harryhausen movies and reading Famous Monsters Magazine. It was just this kind of weird shared existence we all had when we were younger."

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▶ The Walking Dead has become known for its gory effects.

Nicotero and his prolific effects company KNB EFX Group are featured in a new documentary from Canadian filmmaker Donna Davies called Nightmare Factory. It profiles a group of craftsmen who pour their hearts and souls into detailed prosthetics, even as much of the industry is increasingly turning to computer-generated spectacles.

"They can sometimes take six months to build an effect that will be on screen for three seconds."
DONNA DAVIES

"They can sometimes take six months to build an effect that will be on screen for three seconds," Davies says of Nicotero and his partners.

"These are sculptors, painters, artists, line craftsmen — it's not just about sitting down and hitting a button and there it is. And I think you can feel that when you watch the shows."

Davies, whose other TV docs have included Zombiemania and Pretty Bloody: The Women of Horror, was fascinated by the reverence effects artists have for filmmakers who came before them. She notes Nicotero learned his craft from '80s splatter wizard Tom Savini (Friday the 13th, Day of the Living Dead).

"It's a process where you learn under the direction of another master and that doesn't exist in the film industry very much, or in any other industry in the arts as much."

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Get off the ledge — Community is not cancelled

Despite rumors that spread like wildfire on the Internet Monday evening, NBC's Community has not been cancelled.

The comedy show, which stars Joel McHale, was not on the NBC's midseason renewal plans, but The Hollywood Reporter said that the show was not cancelled.

After Community enthusiasts started to panic thinking the show was cancelled, Brain Stelter, a New York Times reporter that covers television and digital media tweeted the following:

"Community is definitely not cancelled."
BRIAN STELTER

"Community is definitely not cancelled. NYT's Bill Carter says, two cubicles over. 'NBC says it'll be off the air for only a brief time.'"

While the show is on NBC's prime Thursday night slot, it's no secret it's struggling.

According to MSNBC.com the show's most recent airing attracted 3.5 million viewers, which is just short of its season low.

Community airs on Citytv in Canada.

And for those who care to know, Prime Suspect was not cancelled either.

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▶ You can stop writing that angry email — Community has not been cancelled.

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Lillard isn't in it for the money

Matthew Lillard acts opposite George Clooney in The Descendants Film is generating a lot of buzz

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Matthew Lillard is not afraid to admit how little he got paid to star in The Descendants. The actor, known primarily for his roles in 1996's Scream and several Scoobie Doo movies and television shows, may be working on the regular, but he doesn't want anyone thinking the average actor is making big bucks.

"The amount of days you work, as a successful actor, isn't very many and if you're doing a movie like this, you get less than a union teacher — well, maybe not less," he says.

"It's $1,600 dollars for five days a week, and then you have to pay taxes on top of that, plus 10 per cent to management and 10 per cent to an agent, so $1600 dollars for a week, isn't that much money."

That's a gutsy statement to make during a recession, but perhaps Lillard is so blinded by his enthusiasm for this Alexander Payne film he's promoting, he's just lost his filter.

Lillard enthuses about the director, who also has celebrated films like Sideways and Election to his credit. "He's one of the most pre-eminent filmmakers in the world right now," Lillard says. "There is no fear in his eyes. As a leader, he knows exactly where he's going and that's all that you can ever ask for as an actor. There's a guy you'd run into a wall for a hundred times because he knows what he wants and where he's going."

Perhaps Lillard needed to trust in his director the most out of all of the actors in the film because he doesn't exactly play a likeable guy here. The film is about a Hawaiian land baron, Matt King (George Clooney), who tries to reconnect with his children after a water skiing accident renders his wife comatose. He then learns his wife had been having an affair with a local real estate agent who has a wife and kids of his own. And yes, that'd be Lillard's character.

But given that the film is already getting great buzz, it may be the career-reviver he needs.

Clooney's role

Lillard on working with co-star George Clooney:

▶ "Clooney turns in, I think, personally, one of the great performances of his career. He's one of quintessential most beautiful leading men in the world and he plays the most schlubby dude, a dork."

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Ride the Cyclone turns tragic deaths into comedic entertainment ◗ Toronto's theatre scene goes serious

Stage Notes

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November lays a heavier hand over Toronto's theatre scene, which shifts gears from a fall season of feel good musicals to more serious "winter" fare. The results are just as enjoyable.

Turning tragic deaths into a comedic musical is no easy feat, however, Theatre Passe Murraille, along with Toronto's Acting Up Stage Company, and Atomic Vaudeville manage to do just that with their latest collaboration: Ride the Cyclone.

Cyclone is an apt word for this play, which commemorates a fictional teenage show choir all of whom tragically die in a freak roller coast accident. Post-death choir members are given the opportunity to celebrate their own individuality through song.

Definitely not Glee, Ride the Cyclone is an apt play for today's rather conflicted world.

Meanwhile Toronto's Company Theatre and the Canadian Stage Company is presenting the English-language world premiere of noted German play, The Test.

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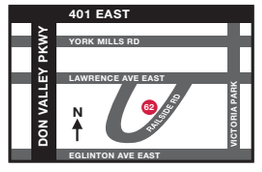

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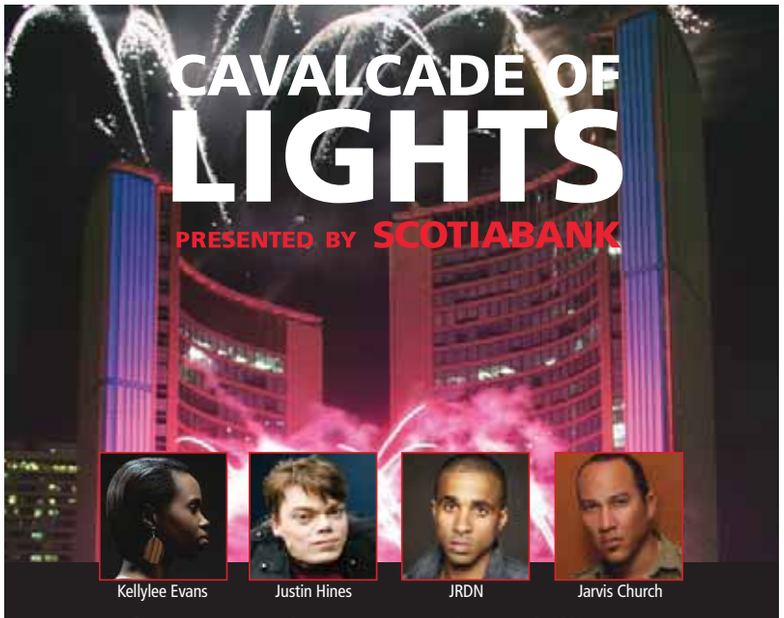

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Patti LaBelle accused of screaming at a toddler and punching its mother

If you are a baby and happen to come across singer Patti LaBelle, it's best if you pull up your diaper, grab your rattle, and crawl right out of there.

It was disclosed yesterday in a lawsuit filed in Manhattan Supreme Court that the singer screamed obscenities at a toddler and threw a punch at the baby's mother (who also happens to be a school teacher) sometime this year.

The mother, Roseanna Monk, is now suing LaBelle, who was living in her Manhattan apartment building while appearing on Broadway's Fela. Apparently, this is what happened, according to Monk's lawyer, reports The New York Daily News: The 18-month-old toddler, named Genevieve, was "scampering" around the apartment building's lobby when LaBelle, who is described as being in "full star regalia with oversize shades and a fur coat" became upset at the baby as she walked through.

"'What are you doing letting your kid run around like that?' she reportedly yelled. And then, according to the lawyer yet again, 'started screaming at my client, throwing water from a bottle at the mother's face and the baby's face.'"

As if that wasn't enough, LaBelle then took a swing at the baby's mother.

She then was shoved into a waiting car by her entourage and the baby "violently" threw-up.

So far, LaBelle hasn't responded to the allegations.

She's probably too busy not-babysitting to do so.

And in other baby news...

Christina Applegate might not want to have LaBelle as a guest star on her TV show Up All Night anytime soon.

As she tells The View, having her nine-month-old daughter Sadie around was a priority when deciding to do the new NBC show.

"My whole thing was, 'I'm not doing this unless I can bring her.' So they had to build me a room for her and it's got her toys and a crib and she takes her naps there," the actress explained. "That's called a crazy mother who said, 'No, I'm not doing anything unless I can be with my baby.'"

▶ Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds

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Leo throws a party

Leonardo DiCaprio knows how to celebrate. For his 37th birthday, the J. Edgar star threw a lavish charity bash, raising $1.3 million for his Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation, which funds wildlife-protection projects and provides disaster relief to countries like Haiti, according to Hollyscoop. Guests at the party, held at New York's Avenue nightclub, included Robert De Niro, Naomi Campbell and Bradley Cooper. The next day, DiCaprio was reportedly back on a plane to Australia to finish filming the Great Gatsby. METRO

▶ Leonardo D

SERIOUSLY. The romance between Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively appears to be going strong, as the pair stepped out in Boston's Back Bay neighbourhood for an intimate dinner at restaurant L'Espalier, according to People magazine.

"They started with caviar and oysters on the half shell, went on to clam chowder and beet salad.

For entrees, a lobster and a halibut dish. And for dessert, a soufflé," a source says." METRO

I'll change our baby's diapers: Jay-Z

Jay-Z says his own experience of his father leaving when he was 11 had a lasting impact on him.

"If your dad died before you were born, yeah, it hurts, but it's not like you had a connection with something that was real," Jay-Z tells GQ magazine.

"My dad was such a good dad that when he left, he left a huge scar. He was my superhero."

The rapper is currently expecting a daughter with wife Beyoncé Knowles, and his main priority is being there for his child.

"Providing — that's not love. Being there — that's more important," he says.

And does being there mean changing diapers once the little girl arrives?

▶ Jay-Z

"My dad was such a good dad that when he left, he left a huge scar. He was my superhero"
JAY-Z

"Of course, of course," he says. "One hundred per cent."
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▶ Nikki Reed

Twilight cast wasn't tight: Nikki Reed

With the first part of the Twilight finale hitting theatres, actress Nikki Reed is opening up about the less-than-familial atmosphere amongst the cast.

"In the beginning, it was innocent and fun, and we were like one big happy family. It was like being at sleep-away camp," Reed tells Seventeen magazine.

"Success came along and changed the dynamic. We're not all best friends, and we're not all going to hang out together after the final movie is done."

And watching her co-stars' relationships fall apart once filming stopped wasn't the easiest thing.

"It was very, very sad. Let's just leave it at that," she says.
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Matthew Fox in hot water?

An Ohio private bus driver who claims she was punched by Matthew Fox is asking that the actor's lawsuit against her be tossed out. The former star of the TV show Lost slapped Heather Bormann with a countersuit earlier this month after she sued him in Cleveland for at least $75,000 US in damages. Fox also demanded a jury trial.

Bormann's attorney filed a motion Monday seeking to have Fox's lawsuit dismissed, calling it frivolous.

In her lawsuit, Bormann alleged that Fox struck her in the breast, groin, arm and legs after she stopped him from boarding her chartered party bus on Aug. 28. Fox was in Cleveland making a movie.

Prosecutors declined to file charges in the case.

Fox's attorney said yesterday he hadn't seen the motion and couldn't comment. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Escape the resort

The beach and a trashy novel are great for a few days, but when tanning gets old, you might want to see what's outside the resort walls Puerto Plata's It Zone has the answer

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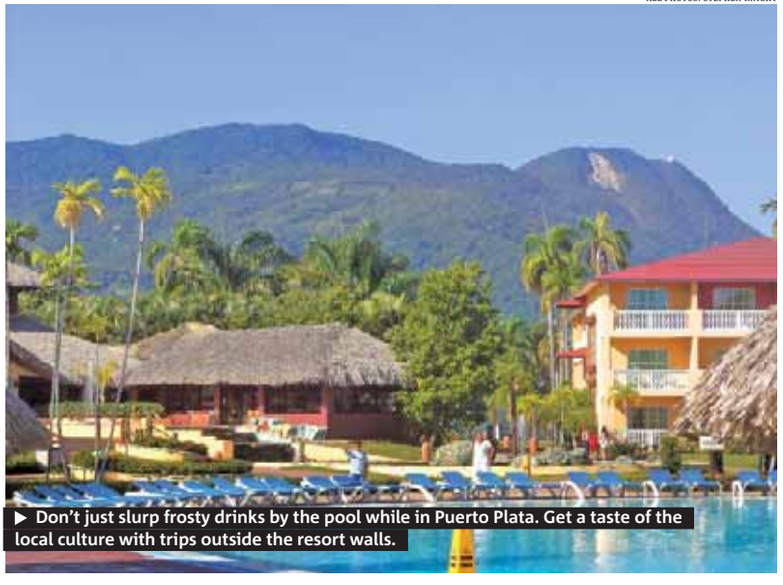

Don't just slurp frosty drinks by the pool while in Puerto Plata. Get a taste of the local culture with trips outside the resort walls.

We could all use a little quality time in the sun and a dip in the ocean, especially as another long Canadian winter approaches.

But if you're like some of the thousands of Canadian travellers who flock to this Caribbean island nation of 10 million people each year, you want the all-inclusive travel experience to be about more than just sitting around the resort all day with the latest Danielle Steel/John Grisham novel.

That's where the It Zone comes in. Launched in November by Nolitours (a member of Transat A.T. Inc.), the It Zone is designed for travellers to Puerto Plata who enjoy the home base of an all-inclusive resort — ours was the scenic Be Live Grand Marien — but who are eager to get in touch with the local culture, try some outdoor adventure activities and check out the nightlife beyond sports highlights at the hotel bar.

Eat

A recent tour gave a group of Canadian journalists a close-up glimpse of life outside the perimeter, but first we had to fuel up with an intimate dinner at chef Rafael Vásquez Heinsen's Mares Restaurant and Lounge. Vásquez Heinsen's shaded backyard terrace serves as the main dining area, and the lobster is fresh from the ocean that day.

Monkey business

The next day, a short drive outside Puerto Plata, in Sosua, is the Monkey Jungle, run by the husband and wife team of Chuck and Candy Ritzen. The American ex-pats have hit on an innovative business model that contributes to the economy, creates jobs and provides some basic dental and health care to the local population.

Monkey Jungle is home to 15 protected squirrel monkeys and six Capuchin monkeys, with a care provider who was formerly with the Toronto Zoo. You can walk through the squirrel monkey habitat and the curious simians just hop on your shoulders for a ride. It's the first time I've literally had a monkey on my back.

You can also zip-line through seven stations totaling 4,400 feet and, before the last zip, descend on a cable from a platform into a cave; sort of like zip-lining, but vertically. The Ritzens have a self-sustaining operation where they use the profits from the zip-lining and monkey jungle activities to fund the health clinic on the premises.

Sustainable tourism

The idea of sustainable tourism has also been taken up by tour companies. Transat A.T. Inc. partners with SOS Children's Villages, which provides caring, village-style group homes for orphaned, abused or abandoned children.

We were given a tour of the village in Santiago de los Caballeros, about an hour from Puerto Plata. The smiling kids were curious, and a spontaneous game of baseball, the national sports obsession, broke out using a stick and a ball of rolled-up tinfoil.

Go big, or go home

If it's true you have to go big or go home, then Ocean World is a must-see before you head back to the Great White North.

Open since 2004, the massive ocean-side complex features interactive activities with dolphins, sharks and stingrays as well as exhibits with everything from tigers to toucans.

In terms of size, the place filters six million litres of seawater an hour. And, if you like a touch of Las Vegas with your sun holiday, then Ocean World has you covered with its full-service casino, disco lounge, and Bravissimo, a glittery song-and-dance revue with more costume changes than a Paris catwalk.

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If you go...

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Travel in brief

A new 200-kilometre highway in the Dominican Republic, from the capital Santo Domingo to tourist hot spot Punta Cana, will make it easier for visitors to explore the Caribbean country. The divided highway, which has been under construction for the last four years, was completed earlier this year from Santo Domingo to La Romana on the south coast, significantly reducing travel times between the two cities.

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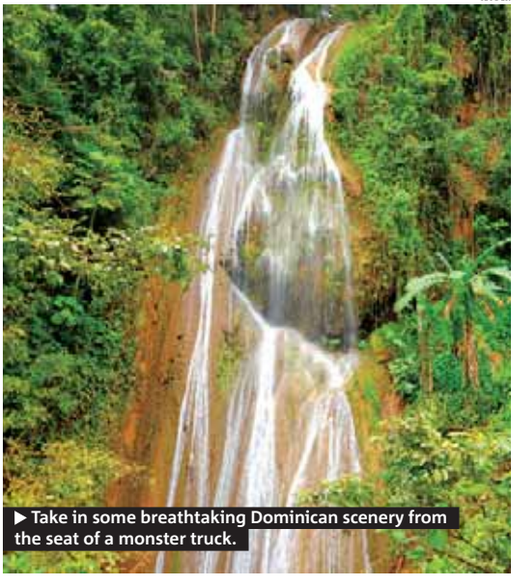

▶ Take in some breathtaking Dominican scenery from the seat of a monster truck.

The Dominican Republic has become a mecca for great beaches and sunshine, but there's a whole lot more going on in the northern province of Puerto Plata.

Although more tourists still flock to the better known Punta Cana on the Caribbean side, "Plata" is gaining ground due to its great beaches and resorts. Plus there's some pretty unorthodox, even way out, things happening — things you would not expect to find in such a sunny paradise.

Take monster trucking, for example. When I learned this redneck, '90s pastime had somehow made it to the Dominican, I just had to go for it. A short time later I found myself roaring through the back roads in an 8x8 zebra-striped beast on a very bumpy and very long monster truck safari!

Sure, the scenery was breathtaking: beautiful sugarcane fields and serene rivers. Was I the only one thinking how out of place our monster truck must have appeared? Still, the monster truck did allow us to get to places where traditional vehicles couldn't make it, but we got more than a few odd stares while passing through local villages.

Eight hours, and one very sore back later, I was back on the beach contemplating my next adventure.

Bright and early the next morning it was down to the shores of the roaring Yaque Del North river for some very exciting white water rafting. I was full of adrenalin as we battled the wild waters, which rivalled any rapids I've tackled in B.C. or Alberta.

The Domincan forests were extra beautiful too, when we landed on a secluded section of the shore for a picnic lunch. Sun, beaches, bars and great resorts are are easy to find in Puerto Plata, but it's those less travelled adventures that can turn out to be extra exhilarating!

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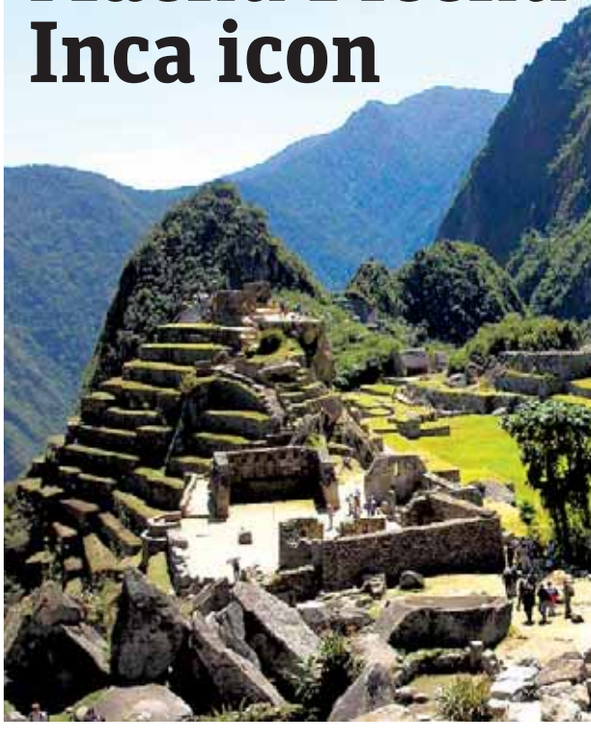

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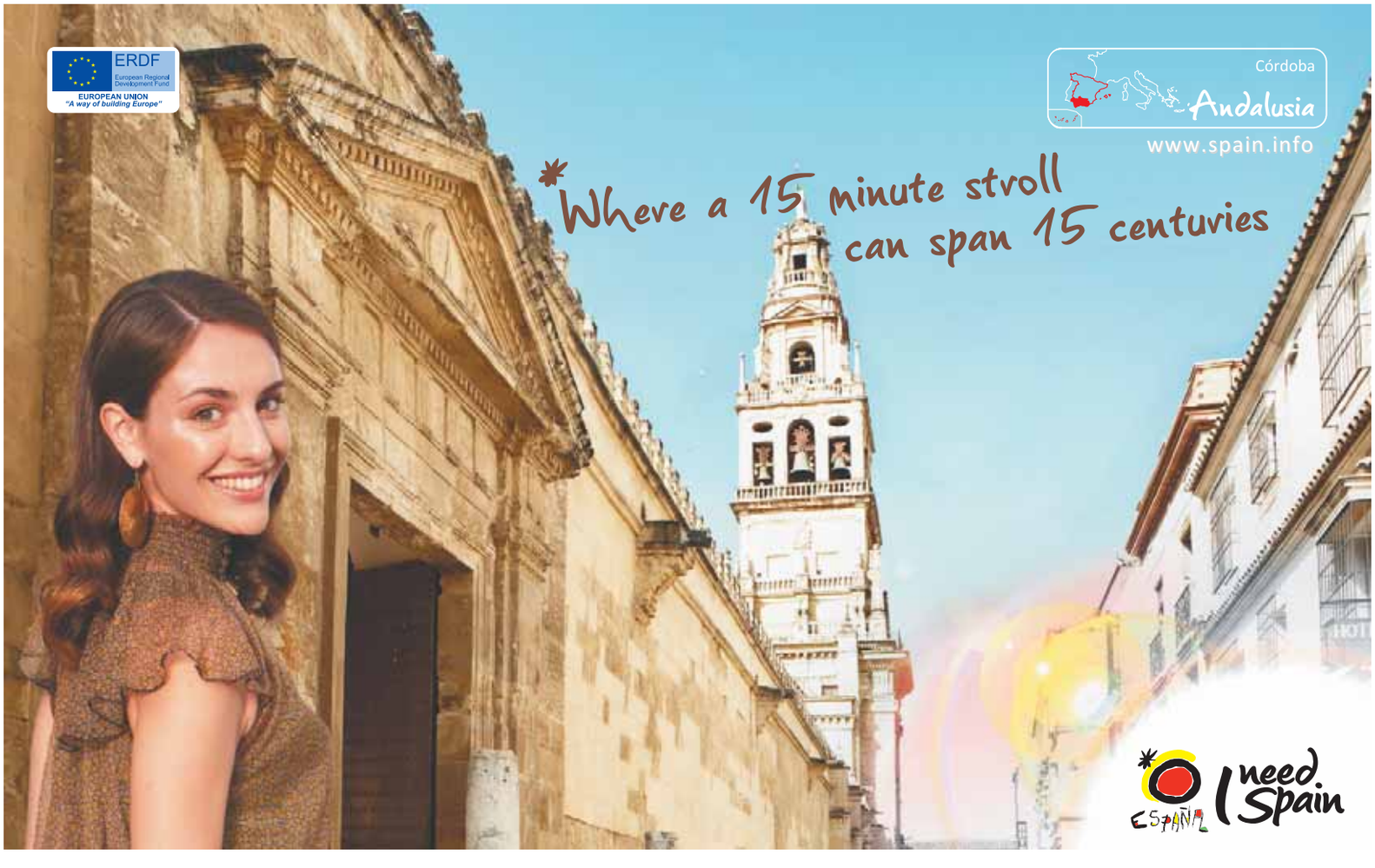

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The year of the Centenary

This year marks the centenary of the discovery of Machu Picchu.

In 1911, an expedition led by U.S. explorer Hiram Bingham went to the Inca site and gave it international exposure through a special edition of National Geographic magazine, which ran a cover story with the title In the Wonderland of Peru.

Since then, Machu Picchu has been a destination for foreign visitors. It's in the Superman comics, Indiana Jones movies and even in an episode of The Simpsons.

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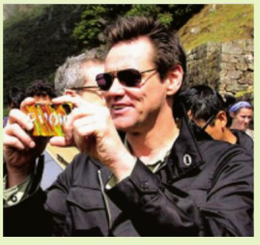

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JIM CARREY, ACTOR, IN HIS TWITTER ACCOUNT, AFTER VISITING MACHU PICCHU IN JULY THIS YEAR.

▶ Bingham's expedition was supported by Yale University.

Wonder of the modern world

In 2007, Machu Picchu — "Old Mountain" in the language of the Peruvian Andes — became one of the wonders of the modern world, in a poll created by new7wonders.com. The others: The Great Wall (China), Roman Coliseum (Italy), Chichen Itzá (Mexico), Petra (Jordan), the Taj Mahal (India) and Corcovado Christ (Brazil).

Fallen Angel a must

It's impossible not to go through the city of Cusco — in Quechua, "the navel of the world"— before going to Machu Picchu. The capital of the Inca Empire is now a cosmopolitan city, home to backpackers, hippies, New Age mystics and yuppies living the best adventure of their lives. It has a great range of hotels and restaurants. Stay at Fallen Angel, with its curious kitsch decor and Novoandina food made with alpaca and guinea pig meat.

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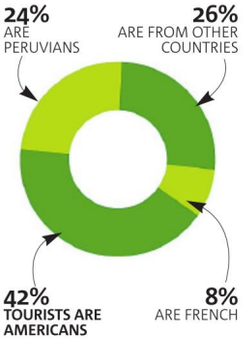
tourists visit Machu Picchu daily. It was declared a site of Cultural Heritage of Humanity in 1983 by Unesco. Recently, Bill Gates, Mick Jagger, Leonardo Di Caprio, Richard Gere, Cameron Diaz and Slavoj Zizek have visited it.



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My favourite spot in Canada

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Having spent most of my life in Ontario, it's easy to overlook the beauty that this province actually boasts. But some places are undeniably special no matter how often you visit them. One of my favourite spots in Ontario is the small town of Tobermory, about three hours northwest of Toronto on Georgian Bay. Jagged cliffs hang over crystal clear water littered with shipwrecks, which can be viewed by taking the slightly haunting glass bottom boat tours. In town you can find the best fresh fish and chips and there's a wicked candy shop with homemade treats. In one of the nearby provincial parks, a hike through the forest and along a cliff leads you to a place called The Grotto, a big cave with water in it. An underwater opening lights it up from the indside. Even in the winter this area is enchanted. This past March I spent a week there with my acoustic guitar in a cottage by a frozen lake. Tobermory is an amazing Ontario gem.

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French Toast's savoury side

While this treat is usually drizzled with maple syrup, it can also be served in a savoury sandwich If pepperoni isn't your thing, try using grilled chicken breast or other deli meat

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Each bite of this Pizza Stuffed French Toast will give you the gooey taste of pizza in a sandwich. The egg and cheese mixture adds great flavour that kicks up a classic.

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▶ This recipe makes four servings.

Preparation:

1. Lay bread slices on work surface and spread with pizza sauce. Top half with 1 slice of the mozzarella, then pepperoni, pepper and mushrooms, if using. Place remaining cheese on top. Top with remaining bread slices; set aside.
2. In shallow dish, whisk together eggs, milk, cheese, oregano, salt and pepper. Dip sandwiches into egg mixture, turning to soak up the egg mixture.
3. In non-stick skillet, melt butter over medium heat and cook sandwiches, turning once for about 4 minutes per side or until brown and crisp and cheese is melted. **EMILY RICHARDS IS A PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND A TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA/ ONTARIO EGG FARMERS**

Ingredients:

- 10 slices (1/2 inch/1 cm thick) Italian loaf
- 1/3 cup (80 mL) pizza sauce
- 35 slices pepperoni
- Half green pepper, thinly sliced
- 3 mushrooms, thinly sliced (optional)
- 10 slices mozzarella
- 4 eggs
- 1/3 cup (80 mL) milk
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tsp (5 mL) dried oregano leaves
- Pinch each salt and pepper
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) butter

Drink of the week

Hail Caesar

The classic Caesar calls for vodka and a celery salt rim, but go ahead and cross the Rubicon with some bold experimentation. Try making one with gin or tequila, add fresh horseradish or beef broth, and garnish with celery, spicy beans or even a chicken wing.

- 1.5 oz bourbon whisky
- 6 dashes Tabasco Sauce
- 6 dashes Worcestershire sauce
- .25 oz lemon juice
- dash of olive brine
- Orange slices
- Clamato, to top

In a highball rimmed with Jamaican jerk spice and filled with ice, add all ingredients but Clamato. Top with Clamato, and stir.

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Career advice from a Headhuntress

High-profile headhunter Wendy Doulton shares her top job-hunting tips with Metro Her Bravo special, The Headhuntress, gives an inside look

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A meeting with Wendy Doulton isn't easy to come by.

As a headhunter for high-profile clients such as Amazon, Gap and Sony, she's responsible for finding the best talent to fill positions that command paychecks beginning in the six figures.

Viewers got a sneak peek into what Doulton's looking for in a Fortune 500 executive when her Bravo special, The Headhuntress, aired this week. While she's the perfect reality star — successful, intense and quick — she was more than gracious when we asked her to share some career advice. Here's how to land on Doulton's radar.

Know what you offer

"My foundational coaching is to know who you are and know what you bring to the party," says Doulton. "Pay very close attention to anything that affects your mood — positively or negatively — and let that inform you."

Interview your interviewer

Interviews go both ways. "The trick here isn't to answer the question right, it's to get the job that's right for you," she says. "It's like a date: 'Does he like me, does he like me?' Well, do you like him? Do you want to have coffee and breakfast with him every day of your life?"

Be positive

The poor job market makes headlines, but Doulton hasn't seen a dip in business. "I'm recruiting for companies all the time. Attitude is everything — if you want to sit around and say, 'There are no jobs out there,' you'll be right."

Answer the question

Even if you don't have the right answer to an interviewer's question, get to the point — and don't take your time. "Don't skirt around the question. People do that all the time, even when they do have a good answer. And I think it's because they have these things that they think they need to say."

And answer it honestly

It's important to come across as genuine and put things out in the open before you get offered a position that isn't right for you.

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▶ Target the right job with Doulton's job-hunting tips.

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7 ways to give your career some direction

Erin Millar and Ben Coli walk students through their post-secondary journey in The Canadian Campus Connection We combed the book to find top tips to help you improve your job prospects

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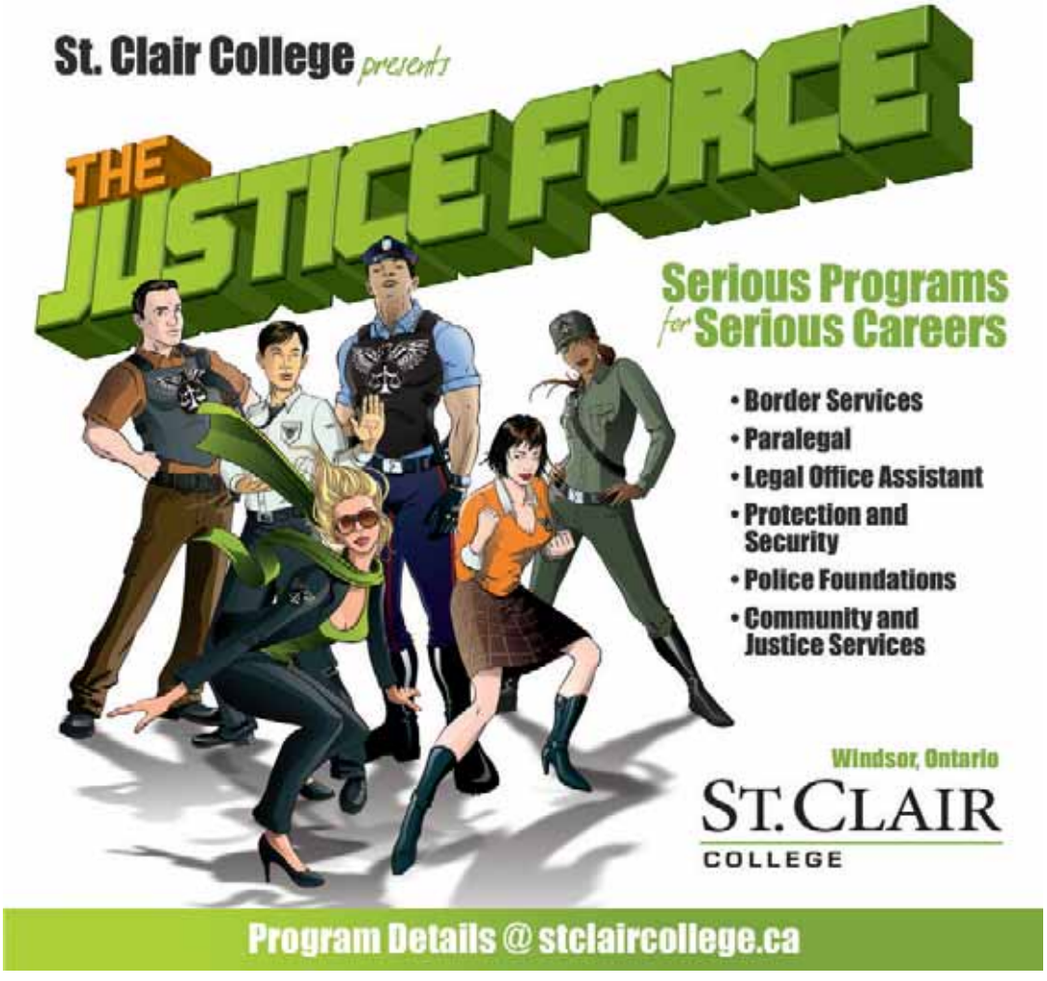
1 You don't have to choose between university and college

Some programs combine the hands-on, practical experience of college with the theory-based, analytical side of university.

Those aspiring to be nurses can opt for a college diploma focusing on skills and experience or a more academic degree from a university. What you might not know is that, for example, Seneca College offers both: For two years, students study nursing at Seneca College and for the next two years, they study at York University.

These programs increase a graduate's appeal among employers as their education demonstrates they can thrive in both the practical college landscape and in a competitive university setting. Try to get past the stigma that university is "better" than college.



2 There is more to school than academics

Employers are more impressed with someone who does well in school and outside of it than someone who can boast great marks with no extra-curriculars to show for it. Getting involved on campus demonstrates many traits that are desirable in employers' eyes — time management skills and the ability to multi-task and meet deadlines. It indicates that you possess an interest in the world around you.

3 Plan your career path before you graduate

You shouldn't be expected to know where you want to work when you've only just started university or college. But it's a good idea to make an appointment with your adviser, even if it is to double-check that you're fulfilling your program's requirements. The last thing you want is to discover you have to reschedule your classes or stay back a semester to complete a course.

4 Get to know your professors

You may not love your class. But getting to know your professor could save your career. If you face the common struggle of finding a job after you graduate, your professor could become the strongest reference on your resumé. Who knows you better than the person who saw you every week in class, read your papers and evaluated your work ethic firsthand? And you'll be more interested in what wisdom he or she has to share.

5 Fun electives can boost your resumé

How can a hiring manager forget the promising candidate who, in addition to earning strong marks and joining several clubs, completed a course in video game addiction and the history of gaming at the University of Western Ontario or learned about swing and golf etiquette at Medicine Hat College?

6 Stay healthy — it's important

When it comes down to it, your health matters most. Don't pull an all-nighter, stock up on coffee or force yourself to attend your weekly gym class if you're sick. Stress can take a toll on your health and can create an impact that goes well into your graduate years. Most post-secondary institutions offer a plethora of ways for you to go above preventing illness and into maintaining a healthy state of life.

7 Don't underestimate the power of your network

You've heard it and you'll hear it again: It's not what you know, it's whom you know. It's essential that you possess a strong work ethic and a passion for what you do, but you'll likely find after graduation that this doesn't seem to be enough to find a job.

The friends you make, the people you meet and the advisers you work with on campus can all help you find a job or put you in touch with that one person who knows a person who works with a person who's looking to hire someone like you.

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Failure to launch

Insight program aims to help young men who lack 'early adult life plan' to get off the couch and get a job

They don't have to get up.

"Get out of bed, don't get out of bed," they're told. "But if you don't, you don't progress. It's up to you."

In fact, by breakfast at 8:30 a.m., most of these young men's beds are made, sort of, and they've either been to a yoga session or for a walk around the lake in this remote mountain retreat known as Insight Intensive at Gold Lake in Colorado.

The aim here starts out that simple: Get up. Clean your room. Hold meaningful conversations. Resolve your differences.

Eventually, it moves on to setting some goals: Staying in school, getting a job, or both. Moving out of their parents' homes when they leave this place is a hope for many.

They are the most basic of goals, a rite of passage for any young adult. But experts say more young people today — especially young men — lack the will, or even the know-how, to achieve them.

They are the modern-day lost boys, who suffer from "failure to launch," a term made popular by a movie of the same name. While at least one critic deemed that film "completely unbelievable" at the time, five years later real life is imitating fiction.

Federal statistics show that young men are, for instance, nearly twice as likely to live at home with their parents than young women their age. They're also less likely to finish college or to have a job. The struggling economy has only made things worse.

"For years, we've been sending people to 12-step programs. But this 18- or 19-year-old who's smoking pot, playing World of Warcraft and sitting on the couch in his parents' home — is he an addict? No. He might be working on being an addict," says Joseph DeNucci, one of the founders of the program.

But there's something more going on, he says. For these guys, the key issues are an absence of motivation, and the lack of what DeNucci and his staff call "an early adult life plan."

The Insight program, which has space for no more than 25 young men ages 18 to 23, involves a stay of three to four months at a cost of $350 a day. That's usually paid by parents who are at their wits' end — but who also may unwittingly be part of what is surely a multi-layered problem.

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▶ Maybe it's time to have the talk with your son?

"(Young men) are depressed, anxious, overwhelmed and underprepared."
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Verlander wins AL Cy Young with ease

There was little question Justin Verlander would unanimously win the AL Cy Young Award. Now, the far more intriguing question: Will he take the MVP, too?

"Do I think it's possible? Yes. Would I like to win it? Of course," he said during a conference call. "It's kind of a weird scenario."

No starting pitcher has won the MVP trophy since Roger Clemens in 1986, with Dennis Eckersley the last reliever to get it in 1992. Many say pitchers shouldn't win the MVP, period, contending they already have their own award.

But Verlander's season — he won the pitching version of the Triple Crown, led Detroit to its first division crown in 24 years and drew every first-place vote yesterday in the Cy Young race — has ratcheted up the debate in a crowded MVP field that includes Curtis Granderson, Jacoby Ellsbury, Jose Bautista, Miguel Cabrera and more.

"Pitchers are on the ballot," Verlander said. Bolstering the case for all pitchers, Verlander pointed to the "tremendous effect we have on the day of our game."

"I'm so different from everybody," he said.

If he doesn't win, Verlander said he'd like to see Granderson, his former teammate, get the award.

Verlander breezed to the Cy Young, much the way the Tigers' ace humbled hitters with his 100 m.p.h. fastball, sharp curve and wicked slider. He led the majors in wins by going 24-5 and topped baseball with 250 strikeouts.

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▶ Coyotes right winger Shane Doan scores on Ben Scrivens last night.

Better than nothing

Leafs rally to force overtime against Coyotes, but fall short in shootout

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The Toronto Maple Leafs are frittering away their good start to the season.

Patrick O'Sullivan and Radim Vrbata scored shootout goals last night as the Phoenix Coyotes overcame a furious Toronto rally to record a 3-2 victory.

The teams put on an entertaining overtime period that saw them trade chances back and forth. Toronto's Tyler Bozak missed on a breakaway, while Coyotes veteran Ray Whitney was left looking skyward after Ben Scrivens robbed him with a big glove save.

Shane Doan and Oliver Ekman-Larsson scored in regulation for Phoenix (9-4-3).

Mike Komisarek and Phil Kessel replied in the third period for the Maple Leafs (10-6-2), who have dropped four straight games at Air Canada Centre.

Toronto started the season with a 7-1-2 record but has gone just 3-4-1 since. The team is also facing injury concerns after Mikhail Grabovski and Clarke MacArthur both left the game.

Scrivens got the start in net and had a tough time in the opening minutes. Doan opened the scoring at 1:54 after linemate Mikkel Boedker stole the puck from Leafs captain Dion Phaneuf as he fell to the ice. He got the puck over to Doan, who scored with a wrist shot that Scrivens got a piece of.

Ekman-Larsson extended the lead to 2-0 at 5:18 with a long wrist shot from the point that found its way through traffic.

That appeared to be a particularly big hole for a team that has struggled to score of late. Virtually all of the team's offence has come from the top line of Kessel, Bozak and Joffrey Lupul during the recent slump.

The Leafs sprung to life when Komisarek managed to end Mike Smith's shutout bid with his first goal since October 2010. The defenceman jumped in off the point and converted a pass from Matthew Lombardi at 2:08 of the third period. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Sports in brief

The Baltimore Orioles are going retro in 2012, bringing back the cartoon bird for their caps as part of a uniform change for the upcoming season.

The new cartoon bird head utilizes elements from the 1970 and 1983 versions. The home cap will feature the bird head on a white front panel with a black back and orange bill and button. The road caps will feature the bird on black with an orange bill and button.

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▶ Canada's Dwayne De Rosario scores on a penalty kick against St. Kitts and Nevis in World Cup qualifying action in Toronto yesterday

THE CANADIAN PRESS

De-Ro delivers in cup qualifier

Dwayne De Rosario tied a Canadian record with his 19th international goal, and Canada completed its second round of World Cup qualifying with a 4-0 win over St. Kitts and Nevis yesterday. De Rosario scored the second of Canada's three first-half goals to tie Dale Mitchell's goal-scoring record. Olivier Occean, Josh Simpson and Tosaint Ricketts also scored for Canada, which finished the round 4-0-2. The next round of qualifying in the CONCACAF region begins next June.

Sports in brief

Date set for Galaxy game

TFC. Toronto FC will host the Los Angeles Galaxy on March 7 in the first leg of their CONCACAF Champions League quarter-final tie.

The two Major League Soccer sides were drawn together earlier this month, but the exact dates for the two-game, total-goals series weren't announced until yesterday.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Reunion for Woods

GOLF. The Presidents Cup will start with a reunion between Tiger Woods and his ex-caddie.

U.S. captain Fred Couples and International captain Greg Norman, hopeful of putting an end to a three-month saga of Woods and Steve Williams, put them together in the last of six foursomes matches in the opening session tomorrow.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Big Ben has thumb injury

NFL. Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger is nursing a fractured right thumb.

Roethlisberger says he suffered the injury sometime during Sunday's 24-17 win over Cincinnati. He noticed the injury while coming out for the second half but did not miss a snap. He completed 7 of 11 passes for 70 yards in the second half as the Steelers improved to 7-3.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA players file lawsuits

LOCKOUT. Locked-out NBA players including Carmelo Anthony and Kevin Durant filed class-action antitrust lawsuits against the league yesterday in at least two states, moving pro basketball's labour dispute from the negotiating table to federal court.

Attorney David Boies, who represented the NFL during that sport's work stoppage and now has been brought aboard by basketball's players, said the NBA lockout violates antitrust laws by refusing to allow players to work.

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	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Pittsburgh	18	11	4	1	2	57	43	25	6-1-1-0	5-3-0-2	7-2-0-1	W1
d-Buffalo	17	11	6	0	0	52	42	22	5-4-0-0	6-2-0-0	6-4-0-0	W1
d-Washington	15	10	4	0	1	55	42	21	6-1-0-1	4-3-0-0	5-4-0-1	L1
NY Rangers	16	10	3	1	2	47	33	23	5-1-0-1	5-2-1-1	8-1-0-1	W7
Philadelphia	17	10	4	2	1	67	51	23	4-3-1-1	6-1-1-0	6-2-1-1	W2
Toronto	18	10	6	1	1	53	61	22	5-3-1-1	5-3-0-0	5-4-0-1	L2
Florida	16	8	5	0	3	46	42	19	2-2-0-3	6-3-0-0	5-2-0-3	L1
Boston	16	9	7	0	0	56	38	18	7-5-0-0	2-2-0-0	7-3-0-0	W6
Tampa Bay	17	8	7	0	2	48	55	18	5-1-0-0	3-6-0-2	6-4-0-0	L2
New Jersey	16	8	7	0	1	40	45	17	4-3-0-1	4-4-0-0	5-5-0-0	L1
Montreal	17	7	7	1	2	42	45	17	2-4-1-2	5-3-0-0	6-2-1-1	L1
Ottawa	18	8	9	0	1	53	65	17	5-4-0-1	3-5-0-0	5-4-0-1	W1
Winnipeg	18	6	9	2	1	48	60	15	3-3-0-0	3-6-2-1	4-4-2-0	W1
Carolina	18	6	9	2	1	46	63	15	4-4-0-1	2-5-2-0	3-6-0-1	L1
NY Islanders	15	4	8	2	1	31	47	11	4-4-1-0	0-4-1-1	1-6-2-1	L4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Chicago	18	11	4	1	2	62	52	25	7-1-0-2	4-3-1-0	6-3-1-0	W3
d-Minnesota	18	10	5	2	1	43	38	23	5-2-1-0	5-3-1-1	8-2-0-0	W2
d-Dallas	16	11	5	0	0	48	41	22	6-1-0-0	5-4-0-0	6-4-0-0	L2
Phoenix	16	9	4	1	2	46	41	21	4-3-1-1	5-1-0-1	7-1-1-1	W2
Edmonton	17	9	6	0	2	39	38	20	5-1-0-1	4-5-0-1	6-4-0-0	L3
San Jose	15	9	5	1	0	44	39	19	4-3-1-0	5-2-0-0	7-2-1-0	L1
Detroit	16	9	6	1	0	43	35	19	7-2-1-0	2-4-0-0	4-5-1-0	L1
Nashville	16	8	5	2	1	43	42	19	2-2-1-1	6-3-1-0	6-2-2-0	L1
St. Louis	17	9	7	0	1	42	39	19	6-1-0-1	3-6-0-0	6-3-0-1	W2
Los Angeles	17	8	6	1	2	41	40	19	5-4-0-1	3-2-1-1	3-5-1-1	W1
Vancouver	18	9	8	0	1	55	51	19	4-2-0-1	5-6-0-0	5-5-0-0	W1
Colorado	18	8	9	1	0	52	60	17	2-6-0-0	6-3-1-0	2-7-1-0	L2
Calgary	16	7	8	1	0	35	42	15	3-4-1-0	4-4-0-0	5-5-0-0	W1
Anaheim	17	6	8	1	2	35	51	15	4-4-0-0	2-4-1-2	2-5-1-2	L1
Columbus	17	3	13	0	1	38	64	7	3-6-0-1	0-7-0-0	3-7-0-0	L1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results
Phoenix 3 Toronto 2 (SO)
St. Louis 2 Detroit 1
Minnesota 4 Columbus 2
Pittsburgh 6 Colorado 3
N.Y. Rangers 4 N.Y. Islanders 2
Boston 4 New Jersey 3
Washington at Nashville
Florida at Dallas
Ottawa at Calgary
Monday's results
Winnipeg 5 Tampa Bay 2
Buffalo 3 Montreal 2 (SO)
Philadelphia 5 Carolina 3
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Carolina at Montreal, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Anaheim at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Columbus at Boston, 7 p.m.
Montreal at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Florida at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Washington at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.
Ottawa at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Detroit at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

COYOTES 3, MAPLE LEAFS 2 (SO)

First Period
1. Phoenix, Doan 5 (Boedker) 1:54
2. Phoenix, Ekman-Larsson 4 (Chipchura, Torres) 5:18
Penalty — Ekman-Larsson Phx (boarding) 13:19.
Second Period
No Scoring.
Penalty — Lupul Tor (goaltender interference) 10:53.
Third Period
3. Toronto, Komisarek 1 (Lombardi, Crabb) 2:08
4. Toronto, Kessel 13 (Kulemin, Gunnarsson) 4:41 (pp)
Penalties — Hanzal Phx (cross-checking) 3:14, Lupul Tor (hooking) 14:29.
Overtime
No Scoring.
Penalties — None.
Shootout
(Phoenix wins 2-0
Toronto (0) — Kessel, miss; Kulemin, miss; Phoenix (2) — O'Sullivan, goal; Vrbata, goal.
Shots on goal

Phoenix	10	13	7	5	—35
Toronto	12	9	11	5	—37

Goal — Phoenix: Smith (W,8-2-3); Toronto: Scrivens (SOL,2-2-1).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Phoenix: 0-2; Toronto: 1-2.
Referees — Brian Pochmara, Tim Peel. **Linesmen** — Scott Driscoll, Michel Cormier.
Attendance — 19,522 (18,819) at Toronto.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Kessel, Tor	12	12	24
Giroux, Pha	11	11	22
Vanek, Buf	11	11	22
D.Sedin, Vcr	6	16	22
Kopitar, LA	8	13	21
Pominville, Buf	7	14	21
Seguin, Bos	11	9	20
H.Sedin, Vcr	6	14	20
Backstrom, Wash	5	15	20
Lupul, Tor	9	10	19
P.Kane, Chi	6	13	19
Benn, Dal	5	14	19
Stamkos, TB	11	7	18
Ma.Hossa, Chi	8	10	18
Skinner, Car	7	11	18
Neal, Pgh	11	6	17
Smyth, Edm	10	7	17
Eriksson, Dal	9	8	17
Pavelski, SJ	9	8	17
Versteeg, Fla	8	9	17
Jagr, Pha	6	11	17
Spezza, Ott	6	11	17
P.Sharp, Chi	5	12	17
Michalek, Ott	11	5	16
Franzen, Det	9	7	16
M.Bergeron, TB	3	13	16
Edler, Vcr	3	13	16
Campbell, Fla	1	15	16
Karlsson, Ott	1	15	16
Gaborik, NYR	9	6	15
Toews, Chi	9	6	15
Elias, NJ	6	9	15
T.Fleischmann, Fla	6	9	15
Ra.Whitney, Phx	6	9	15
Selanne, Ana	5	10	15
St. Louis, TB	4	11	15
Lucic, Bos	8	6	14
Pacioretty, Mtl	8	6	14
Tavares, NYI	8	6	14
Nugent-Hopkins, Edm	7	7	14
Ovechkin, Wash	7	7	14
C.Smith, Nash	7	7	14
Marleau, SJ	6	8	14
Roy, Buf	6	8	14
Legwand, Nash	5	9	14
Prospal, Clb	5	9	14
Plekanec, Mtl	4	10	14
J.Williams, LA	3	11	14
Letang, Pgh	1	13	14
Duchene, Col	6	7	13
Hartnell, Pha	6	7	13
Lecavalier, TB	6	7	13
van Riemsdyk, Pha	6	7	13
Vrbata, Phx	6	7	13
Adam, Buf	5	8	13
Briere, Pha	5	8	13
Eberle, Edm	4	9	13
Souray, Dal	4	9	13
J.Thornton, SJ	4	9	13
Filpula, Det	3	10	13

Last night's games not included

CFL PLAYOFFS

DIVISION FINALS

Sunday's games
All times Eastern
EAST
Hamilton at Winnipeg, 1 p.m.
WEST
Edmonton at B.C., 4:30 p.m.

99TH GREY CUP

Sunday, Nov. 27
At Vancouver
East vs. West champion, 6:30 p.m.

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	6	3	0	.667	259	200
N.Y. Jets	5	4	0	.556	215	200
Buffalo	5	4	0	.556	229	218
Miami	2	7	0	.222	158	178

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	7	3	0	.700	273	166
Tennessee	5	4	0	.556	186	172
Jacksonville	3	6	0	.333	115	166
Indianapolis	0	10	0	.000	131	300

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	220	179
Baltimore	6	3	0	.667	225	152
Cincinnati	6	3	0	.667	212	164
Cleveland	3	6	0	.333	131	183

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	5	4	0	.556	208	233
San Diego	4	5	0	.444	216	228
Denver	4	5	0	.444	188	234
Kansas City	4	5	0	.444	141	218

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	6	3	0	.667	218	211
Dallas	5	4	0	.556	223	182
Philadelphia	3	6	0	.333	220	203
Washington	3	6	0	.333	136	178

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	313	228
Atlanta	5	4	0	.556	212	196
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	156	233
Carolina	2	7	0	.222	190	237

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	9	0	0	1.000	320	186
Detroit	6	3	0	.667	252	184
Chicago	6	3	0	.667	237	187
Minnesota	2	7	0	.222	179	244

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	8	1	0	.889	233	138
Seattle	3	6	0	.333	144	202
Arizona	3	6	0	.333	183	213
St. Louis	2	7	0	.222	113	223

Monday's result
Green Bay 45 Minnesota 7
WEEK 11
Byes: Houston, Indianapolis, New Orleans, Pittsburgh
Tomorrow's game
All times Eastern
N.Y. Jets at Denver, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday's games
Tampa Bay at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Miami, 1 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Seattle at St. Louis, 4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Chicago, 4:15 p.m.
Tennessee at Atlanta, 4:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 21
Kansas City at New England, 8:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

CHL/RUSSIA SUPER SERIES

Monday's result
At Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.
OHL 6 Russia 3
Tonight's game
At Regina
All times Eastern
Russia vs. WHL, 8 p.m.
Tomorrow's game
At Moose Jaw, Sask.
Russia vs. WHL, 8 p.m.

MONDAY

OHL 6, RUSSIA 3

At Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.
First Period
1. OHL, Pearson 2 (Sproul) 3:59 (pp)
2. OHL, Heard 1 (Koekkoek, Hamilton) 5:20 (pp)
3. OHL, Spooner 1 (McKegg) 5:47 (pp)
4. OHL, McKegg 1 (Spooner, Thomas) 10:47
5. OHL, Sgarbossa 1 (Koekkoek) 11:33
Penalties — Zheldakov Rus (slashing) 3:17, Naumenkov Rus (check to the head) 4:19, Kulikov Rus (interference) 5:38, Kulikov Rus (check to the head) 11:56, Ritchie OHL (hooking) 14:02, Strome OHL (tripping) 18:58.
Second Period
6. OHL, Thomas 1 (McKegg, Spooner) 4:40
7. Russia, Antipin 1, 10:55
8. Russia, Kucherov 2 (Kartaev) 11:20
9. Russia, Apalkov 1 (Shavaleev) 19:27
Penalties — Isangulov Rus (cross-checking) 5:04, Shavaleev Rus (high-sticking) 16:56, Sgarbossa OHL (delay of game) 19:48.
Third Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Heard OHL (holding) 3:07, Petgrave OHL (cross-checking) 9:34, Potekhin Rus (interference) 17:45, Naumenkov Rus (hooking), Carrick OHL (holding) 18:16.
Shots on goal

OHL	17	15	4	—36
Russia	10	8	7	—25

Goal (shots-saves) — **OHL**: Wedgewood (W,1-0-0)(12-12), Anderson (9:56 second; 13-10); **Rus:** Suchkov (7-4), Kostenko (L,1-2-0)(5:47 first; 29-26). **Power plays** (goals-chances) — OHL: 3-7; Russia: 0-5.
Attendance — 4,011 at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

AHL

Last night's results
Abbotsford 4 San Antonio 0
Adirondack at Portland
Binghamton at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton
Peoria at Hamilton

FOOTBALL

CIS PLAYOFFS

Friday's games
All times Eastern

UTECK BOWL

At Moncton, N.B.
McMaster vs. Acadia, 6:30 p.m.

MITCHELL BOWL

Laval at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 25

VANIER CUP

At Vancouver
Uteck vs. Mitchell Bowl winners, 9 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE

HOUSTON ASTROS — Agreed to terms with INF Scott Moore on a minor league contract.

BASKETBALL

NBA

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Named Jeff Capel assistant coach.
SACRAMENTO KINGS — Named Keith Smart and Bobby Jackson assistant coaches. Promoted Pete Youngman to director of sports medicine and Manny Romero to head trainer. Named Dwayne Wilson equipment manager.

FOOTBALL

NFL

BUFFALO BILLS — Placed C Eric Wood and LB Chris White on injured reserve. Signed DE Kyle Moore off Detroit's practice squad. Signed DB Josh Nesbitt from the practice squad. Re-signed WR Tim Toone to the practice squad.
OAKLAND RAIDERS — Signed DB Terrail Lambert to the practice squad.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Placed WR Leonard Hankerson and DE Kedric Golston on injured reserve. Re-signed WR Donte' Stallworth and DE Darrion Scott.

CFL

TORONTO ARGONAUTS — Released WR Brandon Rideau.

HOCKEY

NHL

DALLAS STARS — Placed D Alex Goligoski on the injured list.
FLORIDA PANTHERS — Rcalled LW Tim Kennedy from San Antonio (AHL).
MINNESOTA WILD — Recalled C Casey Wellman from Houston (AHL).
MONTREAL CANADIENS—Recalled D Frederic St. Denis from Hamilton (AHL).
NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Assigned G Mikko Koskinen to KalPa (Finnish Elite League).

AHL

LEAGUE OFFICE — Suspended Binghamton D Tim Conboy & Gwinnett F Nikita Kashirsky 2 games.
HAMILTON BULLDOGS — Recalled D Olivier Malka from Wheeling (ECHL).
HERSHEY BEARS — Called up F Matt Pope from South Carolina (ECHL).

SOCCER

MLS

NEW ENGLAND REVOLUTION — Named Jay Heaps coach.

SOCCER

MLS PLAYOFFS

MLS CUP

Sunday's game
At Carson, Calif.
All times Eastern
Houston vs. Los Angeles, 9 p.m.

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Engine

The 2012 ZL1's supercharged 6.2-litre V-8 — a variation of the engines found in the Corvette ZR1 and Cadillac CTS-V — is mated to a six-speed manual transmission and dynos at 580 horsepower and 556 pound-feet of torque. This makes it the most powerful production Camaro ever built and, Chevrolet proclaims, will be the most powerful Chevy droptop ever.

The ZL1 constitutes much more than just unbridled horsepower, but represents a thoroughly sorted out performance platform where nearly every component has been beefed up or completely redesigned to handle the engine's hefty output.

Cabin

Both driver and their front passenger should have no problems stretching out inside the Camaro's generously sized cabin with its power-adjustable heated leather seats with grippy suede-like inserts. They'll also appreciate the sounds from the dual-mode exhaust system that becomes freer flowing (and louder) when the driver opens the taps a bit.

Suspension

The ZL1's suspension employs GM's Magnetic Ride Control, which uses special shock dampers that constantly vary the degree of firmness, according to road and driving conditions.

There are also Tour (soft) and Sport (firmer) settings that the driver can dial in. Most of the remaining suspension components have either been strengthened or swapped out.

▶ Often when companies dig out sacred names from the past, they're stuck to inferior cars that disappoint. Not here.

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It's your move, Mustang and Challenger. The new Chevrolet Camaro ZL1 has got your number, or more correctly, has beaten your best horsepower numbers ... by a lot.

How does the high-performance ZL1 coupe and convertible square with General Motors' greenification program of introducing fuel-sipping electrics, hybrids plus a couple of new ankle-biter sub-compacts?

Well, the eco trend is definitely here to stay, but at the opposite end of the oil barrel, GM's cornerstone division isn't neglecting its involvement in the muscle/ponycar bracket. Although relatively small, the pedal-to-the-metal gunfighter class remains unequivocal in its No Imports Allowed policy.

And in this club the numero uno bylaw states that horsepower rules and absolute horsepower rules absolutely, or at least until another club member ups the ante and overthrows the leader.

The 2011 edition of the Chevrolet Camaro's SS model was rated at 426 horsepower and was certainly nothing to be sneezed at.

But it couldn't catch a cold next to the Dodge Challenger's SRT8 392 that generated 470 horses from its 6.4-litre "Hemi" V-8 engine.

That goes double for Ford Mustang-based Shelby GT500's 550 ponies that emanate from a supercharged 5.4-litre V-8.

With bragging rights on the line, you just had to know that Chevrolet would eventually retaliate.

▶ The convertible ZL1 will arrive after the tin-top model, late enough to deem it a 2013 edition.

▶ There's really not much to do inside other than add some suede inserts to the seats, which act like velcro to keep you planted and in control — somewhat — of 580 horsepower.

Camaro ZL1

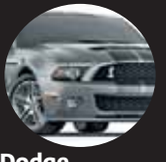
What you should know about the 2012 Chevrolet Camaro ZL1:

- **Types:** Two-door, rear-wheel-drive coupe and convertible.
- **Engine (hp):** 6.2-litre OHV V-8, supercharged (580).
- **Transmission:** Six-speed manual.
- **Market position:** A horsepower and sales war of sorts exists between the three main domestic protagonists for supremacy in the so-called "ponycar" category, with the new Chevrolet Camaro ZL1 firing the latest shot.
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 13.5/7.5 (est.).

5 drive

By comparison

Mustang Shelby GT500
Base price: $60,700
Well turned-out high-performance coupe or convertible is ZL1's main rival.



Dodge Challenger SRT8
Base price: $50,500
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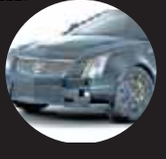
Cadillac CTS-V coupe
Base price: $73,000
Great-looking, ultra-quick Caddy that shares its powerplant with the ZL1.



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iQute test

Scion's smart 'city car' lives up to its name

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I found a car that doesn't need reverse gear. Really. The start and end points of a day in the Scion iQ were the same, essentially a circle. All day, I drove, manoeuvred, parked, stopped, started, accelerated and turned.

There were wrong turns, tight turns, U-turns. Reverse gear? Not even once.

Along a meandering and pretty shore road, my drive partner and I did everything we could to throw our test vehicle into the tightest circles possible.

And both of us giggled uncontrollably every time.

The 2012 Scion iQ has a turning radius of just four metres and in the delicious Hot Lava colour, it matched my Kate Spade bag quite nicely, thank you very much.

Thinking about spending the day in the world's smallest four-seater, I have to admit that I was a little apprehensive since I'm almost six feet tall. Would I have to be pried out of the thing? Would I be sporting bruised temples, ankles, elbows and a pretzeled spine?

First off, it might technically have four seats, but the back is strictly for toddlers and passengers of the canine variety. If I dared suggest any of our three leggy daughters sit back there, I would get dirty looks and plenty of eye-rolling.

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▶ The iQ doesn't weigh all that much, so the 94-horsepower engine feels stronger, relatively speaking.

We most certainly were not in Alabama in mid-July, but, on our drive day, we were treated to an unseasonably warm day and the world's smallest air-conditioning system handled it with aplomb.

Scion, the youthful offshoot of its Toyota parents, boasts that the iQ, in direct competition with Italian-heartstring-tugging Fiat 500 and Germany's Smart ForTwo, has the flattest gas tank, no thicker than a can of soda and half as thick as standard gas tanks.

The "iQute" also has the world's first rear-window airbag, which is proper because if you're in that back seat, you want to know that there's something between grave danger and your head.

I spent equal time in the driver's seat and in the passenger seat of the iQ.

The passenger's side is interesting and innovative. There is no glove box. A drawer that slides out from under the seat takes care of that storage requirement.

▶ The iQ might technically be a four-seater, but the rear space is likely better suited for stuff rather than people.

▶ Which is the accessory?

On the driver's side, the seat and positioning are comfortable. Enough room for long legs and arms and plenty of head room for those days when my hair is oh-so-'80s.

Acceleration is surprisingly rapid. Although the passing lanes on the winding roads of our driving route were short, the iQ didn't hesitate. It felt confident and sure-footed while enjoying a small spurt of 115 km/h on the highway.

You just have to keep in mind that 94 horsepower is 94 horsepower. The iQ doesn't think it's bigger than it is but, like the ad says, it is bigger than you think.

I like the Scion iQ's micro size yet macro personality. When you're in it, there is no sign of a Napoleon complex. The iQ is small and proud of it.

I like the way the tires are jauntily pushed out to the edge of the vehicle. I like the smooth seat-gliding levers on either side of the passenger chair. And, even though I didn't see them, I like the class-leading 11 airbags as well as the great fuel economy.

Scion family

▶ The fun and funky family of Scion cars has been on sale in North America since 2003 and in Canada for the last couple of years. The brand has made an impact, with 800,000 of its cuties roaming the roads. The three siblings of the iQ are the hatchback xD, the boxy but heartwarming xB and the sporty tC two-door coupe.

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STILL KICKING: STICK SHIFT NOT DEAD YET

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"Stick shift" vehicles have been in steady decline. Currently they represent only about five to seven per cent of the North American new-vehicle market.

That steep of a decline could suggest a zero market share might soon be in the cards.

But it appears that the shifter survivor percentage has hardened into a small, dense core, very much willing and prepared to stand its ground — like a cornered groundhog, overly angry and muscled by steroid use. OK bad analogy, but you get my point.

Stick shifts have had four traditional advantages: always cheaper, always more fun, always more fuel efficient, and always more zip (acceleration and top speed). But the new crop of automatic transmissions has turned the tables when it comes to efficiency and zip. Traditional-type automatic transmissions used to have three or four gears. Now they have more gears than most manuals. Chrysler's new automatic has eight.

We're also seeing more use of the Constant Velocity Transmissions (CVT) and the twin-clutch transmission. The former has no gears, and as such, is compact, light, and can be tailored for optimum efficiency. The latter is hard to explain (for me at least), but makes uses of two clutches — one for odd-numbered gears and one for even-numbered gears. It can go from gear to gear in the blink of eye, because the subsequent gear is already "pre-engaged" and only needs a nod from a computer to get busy. They can shift faster than any human hand could, and their speed is increased by the fact that they don't need a suspension of torque to get their shift completed (hence no torque convertor). Twin-clutch transmissions are rapidly becoming the transmission of choice for performance vehicles, even for such racey marques as Ferrari, BMW and Porsche.

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▶ While the all-new 2012 Porsche 911 Carrera will feature one of the world's most sophisticated twin-clutch automatic transmissions, it will also continue to embrace the "stick shift" religion — this time with the world's first seven-speed manual.

"Our take rate on manual transmissions is way down," says Laurance Yap, director of marketing, Porsche Cars Canada. He adds that, ironically, Europeans are leading the way with automatic transmissions. Europeans have historically snubbed their noses at lazy automatics, but they have fallen in love with the sportier "twin clutch" design. Across the 911 model line in Germany, for example, Yap notes that 75 to 80 per cent are sold with PDK. (PDK is a short form for the official name of the company's twin clutch — Porsche Doppelkupplung. Just try saying that correctly in German without hurting yourself.)

The Canadian "take rake" for 911 models with PDK is only 50 per cent. Go figure: we like manual transmissions more than the Autobahn enabled Germans.

Which brings us back to our angry groundhog.

Manual transmissions will continue to have a life, even in this era where they are technologically trumped, because they are simply more engaging and fun for a certain tribe of driver. The Cadillac CTS-V and the upcoming Mazda MX-5 are two examples of new vehicles that are making "statements" by offering a manual transmission — they are signalling that they are ready to emotionally engage a driver so inclined.

Actually, as vehicles become increasingly sophisticated and computerized, the manual transmission will have an increasing important role — to regain some of that lost emotional connection to the mechanical beast within.

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Final-gen GM minivans should offer reliability

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For many shoppers, the minivan delivers the ultimate in bang-for-the-buck when it comes to moving a family around.

At General Motors, the Chevrolet Uplander and Pontiac Montana SV6 were the most recent offerings to the minivan-seeking masses.

Though cosmetically different, the underlying hardware in the Uplander and Montana were basically identical.

The following information, therefore, applies to both.

2005 to 2009 Pontiac Montana/Chevrolet Uplander

▶ 2005 Pontiac Montana SV6

Engine

Power came from one of two V-6 engines: a 3.5-litre with 200 horsepower, or a 3.9-litre with 240. A four-speed automatic transmission was standard and All Wheel Drive was available.

What owners like

Most owners report a comfortable highway ride, smooth performance, plenty of interior space and a flexible cargo and passenger compartment layout. Gas mileage is rated strongly, relatively speaking.

What owners dislike

Complaints tend to include interior squeaking, rattling and trim wear as the vehicles age, as well as bland and uninspired styling.

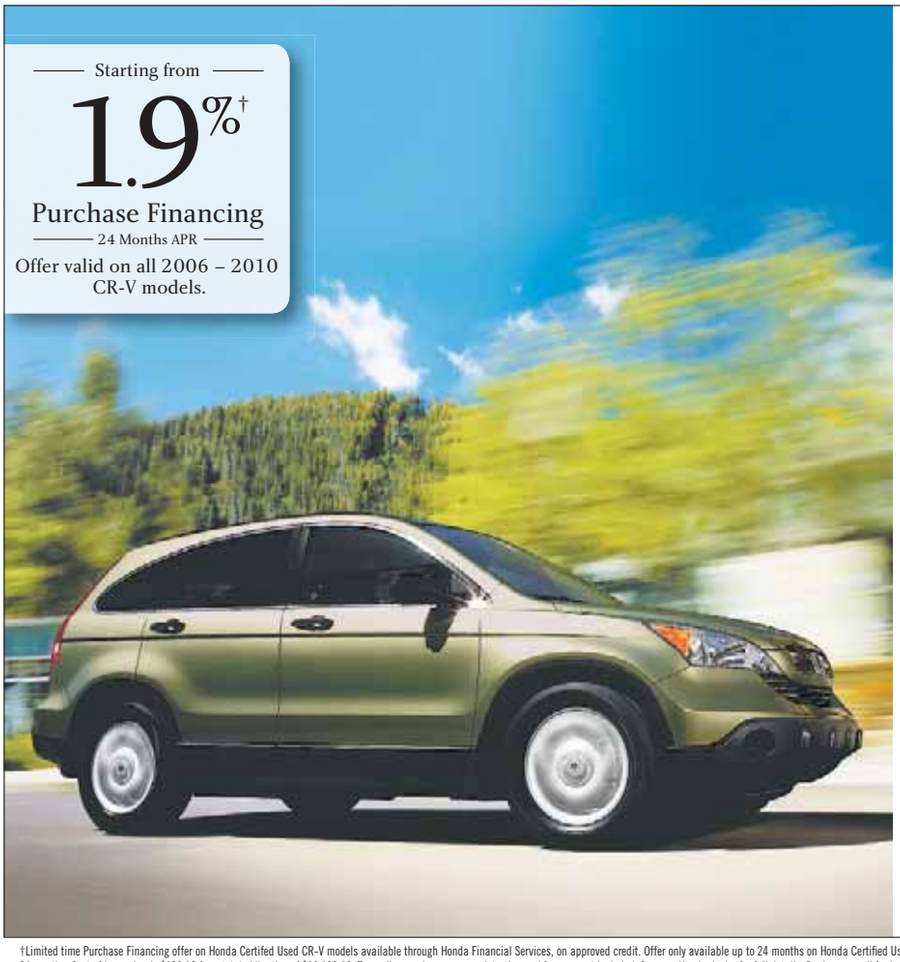
Common issues

Problems stated with the newer GM minivan powerplants seem few and far between — and are mainly sensor related. If the engine and transmission's service requirements have been adhered to, if it runs smoothly and if no "check engine" lights are illuminated, you're well on your way. Be sure to "feel" for any transmission slipping — and avoid any model that exhibits it.

Avoid models with power sliding doors. These can be an expensive hassle when they fail.

Verdict

A well-maintained Uplander or Montana should be a machine from which owners can expect solid powertrain reliability, plenty of space and affordable pricing in the used market.



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As the holiday season approaches, there are many opportunities to reflect on the previous year, give thanks and help those who are less fortunate.

The Toronto Automobile Dealers Association supports many philanthropic initiatives over the course of the year, including Ronald McDonald House, which is celebrating its official opening this week.

Thanks to the generous donations of many local citizens and companies, including $2 million from the TADA, Ronald McDonald House (RMH) Toronto is now the biggest of its kind in the world.

The TADA Gift of Life Wing at RMH Toronto will provide a comfortable home away from home for the families of children undergoing surgical procedures or awaiting organ and tissue transplants at local hospitals, easing the financial and emotional strain of what are already incredibly difficult circumstances.

Providing an array of valuable services for families, the house offers places for sleeping, schooling, working, cooking and playing. It also provides vital therapeutic programs that help ill children and their families.

The average length of stay at Ronald McDonald House Toronto is 51 days. It was at full capacity year-round, and there was no room for the house to grow at its old location on Gerrard Street.

They had to turn away 70 per cent of the families that needed it because of a lack of space.

"This beautiful building represents the very heart of a bold vision that took shape more than six years ago," said John Davis, president of the Ronald McDonald House Toronto board at the recent gala opening.

"The motivation was simple: to correct, what we, the board of directors and staff, felt was profoundly unjust. We were turning away more desperately ill children and their families than we could serve."

The new house at 240 McCaul, located in close proximity to the hospitals on University Avenue, can accommodate 81 families and features purpose-built program spaces for an accredited private school and child-focused programming with gardens and a playground.

This exciting grand opening is certainly reason to celebrate but is just the beginning.

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Carbon clogging can cost you at the pumps

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▶ Folks, this is what a fuel injector in action looks like.

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Engines work when gasoline enters a combustion chamber, where it's ignited by a spark plug to extract its energy. The gasoline is sprayed in by fuel injectors, and the engine's efficiency depends heavily on these injectors performing at their peak. This includes how clean the injectors are.

"Carbon can clog the injectors and the spray pattern, and the efficiency of the fuel is impeded," says Al Manji, managing director of MOC Distributors of Canada, a provider of chemicals and induction service for cleaning injectors.

"Carbon is like a resistance substance in the car that makes it work harder. It's like clogged arteries where the car isn't 'breathing' or functioning as it should."

Carbon is a by-product of fuel combustion, and over time, it can build up on the injectors and on the back of the throttle plate.

This can mean small quantities of unburned gasoline left in the combustion chamber, which reduces the car's fuel efficiency.

Injectors have specific spray patterns to ensure that fuel is sent to the optimum area within the combustion chamber for maximum efficiency, but if the injector tip is clogged with carbon, "it's like taking the tip of a garden hose and putting your thumb over it," Manji says.

"Fuel doesn't go into the spray pattern that it should. It causes hot spots, it sometimes causes pooling of fuel, and the fuel ends up dripping out of the injectors instead of being sprayed out. Any time that spray pattern is inhibited in any way, the car ends up suffering downstream."

If the injectors get too clogged, the engine could use more fuel, misfire or even stall, Manji says.

Computer-controlled engine management systems are very finely tuned and can be altered by carbon build-up, which in turn results in the engine running poorly.

Some engines use direct fuel injection, which sprays the fuel directly into the combustion chamber to be ignited by the spark plug.

"It's more efficient, but the spray patterns are much finer, the (fuel pressure) is much higher, and the need for a cleaner-running system is that much more important," Manji says. "If it's not running

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optimally, it can cause some serious issues in the system as well."

Fuel injector facts

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- Cars originally used carburetors, which mixed air and fuel at low pressure before it was drawn into the engine. Fuel injectors use pumps to spray the fuel at high pressure into the combustion system.
- What we commonly call the "gas pedal" is actually the throttle, and it's more of an "air pedal." Gasoline must be mixed with air for it to burn. Pressing the throttle increases the amount of air the engine takes in, while sensors determine how much gasoline to add to it.

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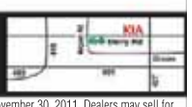

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Hyundai hoping for a Super Bowl victory

Automaker aims to raise brand awareness with five TV spots airing before and during big game broadcast

Hyundai Motor Co. is hoping that five television spots before and during the Feb. 5 Super Bowl game will help to bolster its rising brand recognition and continue big sales gains from the past few years.

North American CEO John Krafcik says the fast-growing brand is working on a 60-second spot that will run right before kick-off, plus two ads on the pregame show and two during the first and third quarters of the game.

He wouldn't say how much the Korean automaker is spending on the ads, which will compete with the most creative spots American companies have to offer during one of television's highest-rated and most expensive sporting events.

Last year Super Bowl ads cost companies about $3 million for 30 seconds.

Chrysler Group LLC's two-minute spot featuring rapper Eminem was among those that created the most Super Bowl buzz last year, and it helped kick off what has been a strong sales year for the recovering company. The cinematic third-quarter ad showed Eminem driving through Detroit and introduced a new car, the Chrysler 200 sedan, amid gritty scenes of the city. A voiceover talked about how the city has survived going through "hell and back."

Krafcik said Hyundai hopes to have standout spots as well, but it will focus more on a brand message rather than going for entertainment value.

"We're competing with Doritos and Pepsi and Anheuser-Busch," he said Friday at an auto show briefing for reporters at a technical centre near Ann Arbor, Mich. "Those are tough competitors from an entertainment point of view."

Hyundai, he said, might have a little more fun with its ads this year and try to make them more memorable than in the past. But it's also trying to sway about a third of the auto market that has a neutral view of the brand, which sells the Elantra compact, Sonata midsize car and Tucson crossover SUV, among other models.

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▶ Pedestrians walk past a Hyundai dealership in Seoul, South Korea last month. The automaker has big plans for its advertising during the upcoming Super Bowl broadcast.

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Hyundai has had huge sales growth in a lacklustre U.S. auto market. Through October, the company has sold more than 545,000 vehicles, already passing last year's record sales of 538,000, according to Autodata Corp.

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Seconds count when building a NASCAR engine

Writer Jil McIntosh tries her (tiny) hands at assembling a very powerful NASCAR engine

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▶ An 850-horsepower engine, right before your very eyes.

Engines are pretty amazing things. They contain hundreds of parts, many of them moving thousands of times each minute.

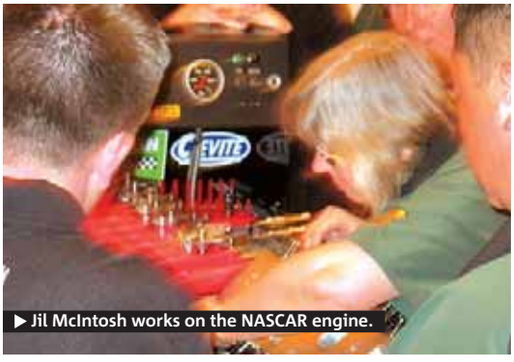
And few things are more daunting than looking at a table full of those parts and realizing that you have to put them all together.

That was my task at a special event sponsored by Quaker State, in conjunction with the launch of its new Defy oil for high-mileage vehicles.

I was one of a group of auto writers facing the bare block of a NASCAR engine.

We had to finish it, and finish it fast, just as the race teams do.

OK, so there was more to it than that. Most of us were novices, so experts from Hendrick Motorsports guided us through every step. And while the finished engine had to run for 30 seconds to qualify, no one was going to tackle the Daytona 500 on my handiwork.


▶ Jil McIntosh works on the NASCAR engine.

For all their complexity, engines use relatively simple principles.

They contain pistons that move up and down to turn a central crankshaft, much like a cyclist's legs turn the pedals. The crankshaft's spinning motion eventually turns the wheels.

Our team was split into pairs, each building a successive section. The clock started, and the first two builders put in the crankshaft and pistons.

Now it was tag-team, and I was up. My job was to install the parts that work the valves, which allow the gasoline in and the exhaust out.

I don't have a lot of grunt power, but there's something to be said for tiny hands when you have to get small parts into very tight spaces.

While my partner did the heavy lifting, I slid rods into place and put in the nuts and bolts. Our section completed, we turned it over to the next on our team.

The Hendrick Motorsports experts can put together an engine in 17 minutes. We took almost twice as long. But there was a payoff: our work was wheeled outside and fired up. The (very loud) sound of success is an 850-horsepower engine running perfectly, but it's nothing compared to knowing that you helped wrench on it to make it work.

† Model shown Chevrolet Cruze LTZ Turbo with GBE, MSRP with freight, PDI & levies $27,949. Dealers are free to set individual prices. ††2012 Chevrolet Cruze LS, MSRP with freight, PDI, levies and minimum $1,000 connect and win base award $16,095. ♦♦No purchase necessary. Contest open to Canadian residents with a valid driver's license who have reached the age of majority in their province of residence. Contest runs from November 1, 2011 to January 16, 2012. Credit Awards include applicable taxes and can only be applied to the purchase or lease of a new 2011 or 2012 MY GM vehicle delivered from dealer stock, excluding Chevrolet Volt, on or before January 16, 2012. 20 Vehicle Awards consist of either a 2012 GMC Terrain SLE2 FWD + 18" Machined Aluminum Wheels, Chrome Appearance Package and Rear Cargo Security Cover or a 2012 Chevrolet Equinox 2LT FWD + 18" Machined Aluminum Wheels. Factory order may be required for Vehicle Awards. Approximate retail value of each Vehicle Award is Equinox/Terrain $30,248 MSRP/$29,818 MSRP CDN, including freight. Not all awards have the same odds of winning. Correct answer to skill testing question required to claim an award. Some examples of odds are: to receive a $1,000 base award, 1 in 1; to receive a total award of $1,200, 1 in 30; to receive a total award of $10,000, 1 in 10,000; to receive a Vehicle Award, 1 in 20,000 (total awards and vehicle awards include the $1,000 base award). See your GM dealer, visit gm.ca or call 1-800-GM-DRIVE for full contest rules.

Top Gear

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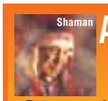

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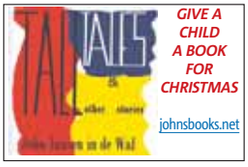

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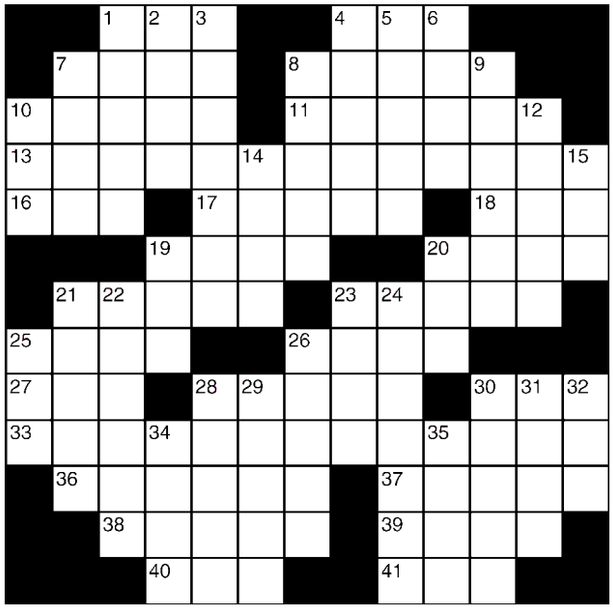

Across

1 "Bam!"
4 Altar affirmative
7 Consequently
8 Dodge
10 Decorate
11 Eateries
13 Good thing with a bad element
16 Pigpen
17 Beethoven's "Für — "
18 Slithery squeezer
19 Chow
20 Galley supply
21 Nervous
23 Move laterally
25 Humdinger
26 Finished
27 — Baba
28 Accumulate
30 Witticism
33 Ambivalence of a sort
36 Sir Isaac who developed a shorthand method
37 Finish
38 Archaeologists' meccas
39 Best pocket pair
40 "Monty Python" opener
41 Beavers' creation

Down

1 Substitute
2 Shrek is one
3 Is curious (about)
4 Wall-climbing plants
5 Thickly populated
6 Mined-over matters
7 Rewrite, maybe
8 Forgo the cue cards
9 — Council ("Survivor" meeting)
10 Mornings (Abbr.)
12 Sleep soundly?
14 Sad
15 Petrol
19 Wildebeest
20 Praise in verse
21 Dutch flower
22 Panacea
23 Mediocre
24 As an alternative
25 Felon's flight
26 Curses
28 Fess up
29 Wherewithal
30 Web surfer's need
31 Responsibility
32 Recipe meas.
34 Needle case
35 Bygone Peruvian

▶ Yesterday's answer

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			2	9		1	3	8
				1			6	5
		6				4		
3			8				9	
		2				5		
	5				4			7
		4				6		
9	6			5				
5	8	3		4	7			

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7	8	3	9	5	2	6	1	4
8	1	4	7	2	5	9	3	6
6	3	7	1	9	4	5	8	2
9	5	2	8	3	6	1	4	7
4	6	1	5	7	3	8	2	9
5	2	8	4	1	9	7	6	3
3	7	9	2	6	8	4	5	1

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♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 You won't lack for courage or confidence today, but make sure they are both well directed.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 If you promised to do something for a loved one then you must see it through to completion.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Don't waste precious time thinking of what might have been. Start being amazing today. Live for now.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 The planets suggest that if you make an effort, the results will astonish you.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Don't waste time worrying about whether or not you are doing the right thing. If it feels right to you, that's all that matters.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 If there is something you should have finished but never got round to completing, have a second crack at it.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You can sense that if you want to make changes now is the time to get busy. So don't wait, get to it.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 With Mars and your ruler Jupiter on good terms over the next 24 hours, you can overcome fears.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Don't waste time on tasks that can be done with your brain stuck in neutral. Be bold and brilliant.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 What you start over the next two or three days will bring great success in the very near future.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. It'll be easy to lose your sense of perspective in the next 24 hours. Control emotions. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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Optima SX Turbo shownΩ

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Cost of borrowing is $0 for a total obligation of $28,379. Delivery and destination fees ($1,650), other fees ($34), OMVIC fee, Environmental Fee and A/C tax (where applicable) are included. Licence, insurance, applicable taxes, variable dealer administration fees (up to $699), PPSA and registration fees are extra. Financing example includes a $1,250 loan credit (includes $500 loan credit and $750 loyalty bonus¥). Retailer may sell for less. See dealer for full details. ◆"Don't Pay For 90 Days" on select models (90-day payment deferral) applies to purchase financing offers on select 2011 and 2012 models on approved credit (OAC) (Sportage/Sorento/Sedona/Borrego excluded). No interest will accrue during the first 60 days of the finance contract. After this period, interest starts to accrue and the purchaser will repay the principal interest monthly over the term of the contract. ▼Every eligible contestant automatically wins a prize of $500 up to $10,000 towards the purchase or lease of any new 2011 or 2012 Kia vehicle, plus one lucky winner will be randomly selected to win $25,000 at the conclusion of the contest. Contest ends January 3, 2012. No purchase necessary to enter. Contest open to Canadian residents with a valid driver's licence, who have reached the age of majority in the province of their residence. Odds of winning vary per prize. Potential prize recipients must correctly answer a skill-testing question. Other restrictions apply, please see your participating Kia dealer for complete contest rules. ††FlexChoice Financing for 36-, 48- and 60-month terms on approved credit through TD Financing Services is available at participating dealerships to qualified retail customers on select new 2011 and 2012 Kia vehicles. Taxes on the full negotiated purchase price are payable at the beginning of the contract term, resulting in higher payments than payments taxed on a periodic basis, and are not reflected in advertised payments. The following terms apply to TD Financing Services contracts. Vehicles are financed over a 36-, 48- or 60-month term with payments amortized over a term of up to 96 months and the pre-determined residual balance payable at the end of the contract. At contract's end, customers have the choice of: (i) returning their vehicle through a Kia dealership with no further obligations (except payment of a $199 return fee and excess wear and tear, mileage and similar charges if exceeding 24,000 km per year allowance); (ii) financing the remaining balance for the rest of the amortization period at then-current standard rates; or (iii) paying the residual balance indicated on the bill of sale in full. Some conditions apply. FlexChoice Financing offered by TD in Quebec is subject to different terms and conditions. All advertised FlexChoice Financing offers are TD offers. Delivery and destination fees (up to $1,650), other fees ($34), OMVIC fee, Environmental Fee and A/C tax (where applicable) are included. Taxes, licence, insurance, registration, excess mileage, wear and tear charges, any retailer administration fees and other applicable fees and charges are not included. FlexChoice Financing is provided on approved credit through TD Financing Services. Your Option Date is set out on your TD Financing Services Payment Advantage Loan Certificate (the "Certificate"), which contains the terms and conditions governing your Return Value Option. If you exercise your Return Value Option, a return fee of $199 must be paid by you (not applicable in the province of Quebec) and you will be responsible for excess kilometre charges, excess wear and tear, and any other amounts as specified in your Certificate. The remaining loan balance will be subject to then-applicable TD Financing Services rates and fees. Retailers may sell for less. See participating retailers for complete details. Representative example based on 2012 Sportage (SP551C)/2012 Rio5 (RO551C) with a purchase price of $23,779/$15,584, financed at 2.49%/2.9% APR over 48 months with $0 down, bi-weekly payments of $154/$114 for a cost of borrowing of $1,623/$1,211 and a total obligation of $24,902/$16,795. Includes delivery and destination fees of $1,650/$1,455, other fees ($34), OMVIC fee, Environmental Fee and A/C tax (where applicable). Taxes, PPSA, licence, insurance, registration, excess mileage, wear and tear charges, any administration or other applicable fees or charges are not included. Dealer may sell for less. See dealer for details. ◢Cash purchase price for 2011 Optima (OP541B) is $22,584 and includes a cash credit of $1,000 based on an MSRP of $23,584. Delivery and destination fees of $1,455, other fees of $34, OMVIC fee, Environmental Fee and A/C tax ($100, where applicable) are included. Licence, insurance, applicable taxes, PPSA, dealer administration fees of up to $699 and registration fees are extra. Retailer may sell for less. See dealer for full details. Available at participating dealers. ‡Loan credit (cash savings) for 2012 Kia Sorento LX AT (SR75BC) is $1,250 (includes $500 loan credit and $750 loyalty bonus¥), and is available on purchase financing only on approved credit (OAC). Loan credit varies by model and trim. ±Competitive Bonus offer available on the purchase or lease of new 2011 Optima Hybrid models at a value of $1,000 (deducted before tax) for owners of any current competitive hybrid vehicle with proof of ownership. See dealer for eligibility of competitive vehicles and full program details. Certain restrictions apply. Offer is transferrable within same household (must provide proof of address). Limit of one bonus per customer or household. Offer not combinable with any other loyalty/conquest offers. Offer ends November 30, 2011. ¥Loyalty Bonus offer available on 2012 Kia Sorento/2011 Optima Hybrid at a value of $750/$1,250 for any current Kia owners towards the purchase or lease of a new 2012MY Sorento/2011MY Optima Hybrid. Loyalty Bonus offer applicable to cash purchase, lease and purchase financing only before November 30, 2011. Offer is transferrable within same household only (must provide proof of address). Limit of one bonus per customer or household. Certain restrictions apply. See dealer for details. >ECO-Credit for 2011 Optima Hybrid is $1,000 and is applicable to the purchase or lease of a new 2011 Kia Optima Hybrid. Available at participating dealers. Certain restrictions apply. 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